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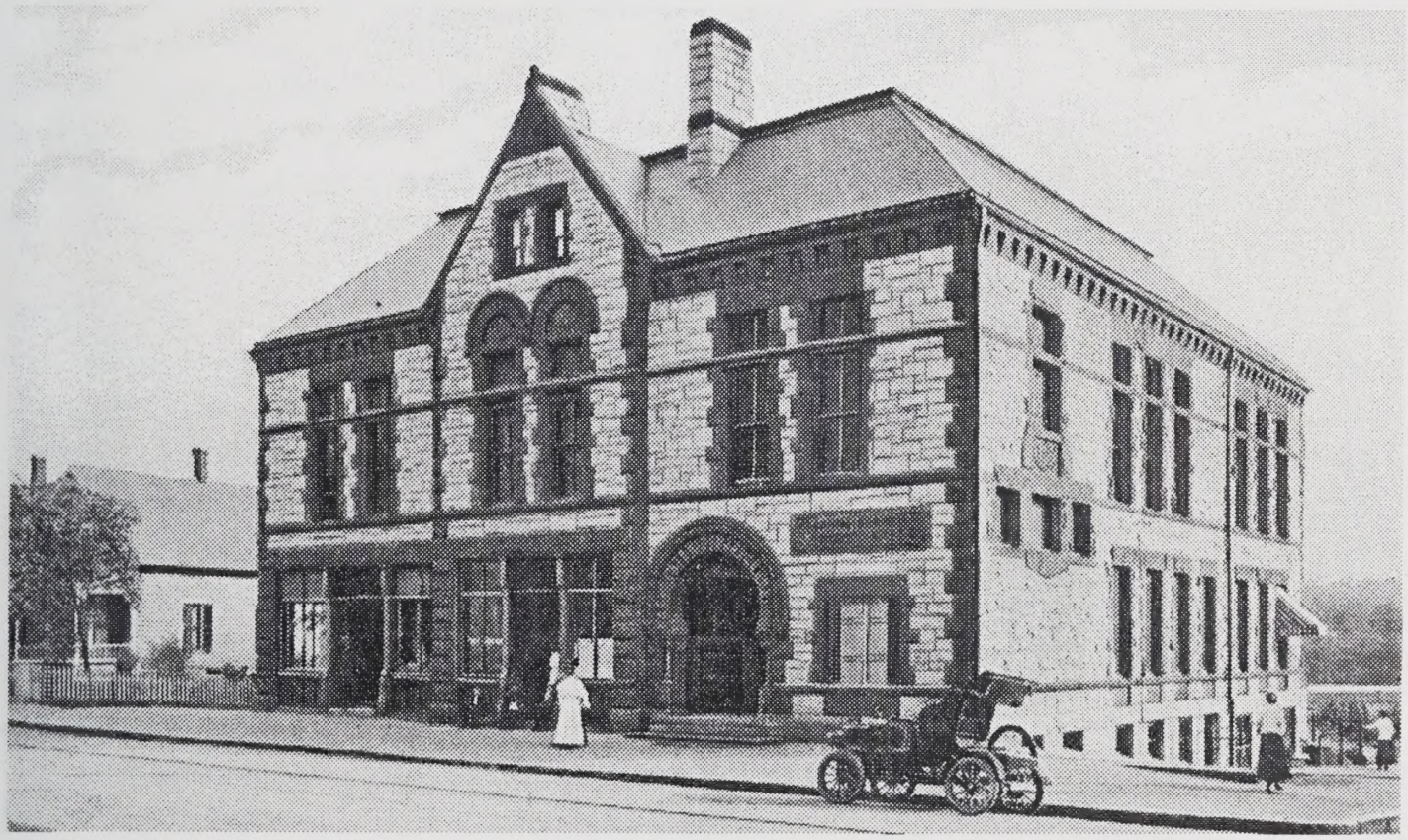

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Town of Hopedale – Incorporated April 7, 1886

POPULATION:	6,081
REGISTERED VOTERS:	3,500
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:	Second Tuesday in April
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION:	Second Tuesday in May
AREA:	5.12 sq. mi.

Editor's Notes:
Thank you to the officials who submitted reports for this edition.
We are currently working on the Town website that can be viewed at hopedalema.virtualtownhall.net.

TOWN OF HOPEDALE
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

GENERAL OFFICE:	
Town Hall	634-2203
78 Hopedale Street	
P.O. Box 7	
Board of Selectmen	ext. 13
Town Coordinator	ext. 13
Town Clerk	ext. 15
Water/Sewer Department	ext. 12
Assessors' Office	ext. 14
Building Inspector	ext. 16
Health Agent	ext. 22
Highway Department	ext. 21
Town Accountant	ext. 19
Town Treasurer/Tax Collector	ext. 20
Bancroft Library	634-2209
Council on Aging	634-2208
Fire Department	473-1050
Fire/Medical Emergency	911
Police Department	634-2227
Police Emergency	911
Waste Water Treatment Plant	634-2210
154 Mendon Street	
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	
Memorial School – 54 Adin Street	634-2214
Junior/Senior High School – 25 Adin Street	
Superintendent's Office	634-2220
Principal's Office	634-2217
Guidance Office	634-2221
Pupil Personnel Services	634-2240

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REPRESENTATIVE IN MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE	Marie J. Parente State House, Room 466 Boston, MA 02133 (617)722-2017

TOWN OF HOPEDALE
ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

		Term Expires
Blackstone Valley Vocational High School Committee	Everett Young	2004
Board of Selectmen	Mike Milanoski ©	2002
	Michael Collins	2003
	Alan Ryan	2004
Housing Authority	Edward Malloy	2003
	Ellen Murphy©	2003
	Karen Villani	2004
	Louis Trevani	2005
	Edith Francis (State)	2004
Park Commission	Jim Binney	2002
	Mark Sesona	2003
	Harry Ohannesian	2002
Road Commissioners	John Farrar, Jr.©	2002
	Donald R. Fafard	2004
	William Marquis	2003
School Committee	Mary Cockroft©	2003
	Liz Lerner	2003
	Justine Tonelli	2004
	Richard Martin	2004
	Earle M. Test	2002
Planning Board	D. Craig Travers ©	2002
	Harland Griffin	2005
	Harry Ohannesian	2006
	Joseph Luchini	2003
	Michael Weaver	2003
Town Clerk	Ronda Ohannesian	2004
Town Moderator	Francis J. Larkin	2003
Tree Warden	Leo Lyons	2002
Trustees of the Library	Roger Edwards	2002
	Frederick Oldfield, III	2004
	Larry Spillers	2003
Water & Sewer Commission	**Aldo Tarca**	2004
	Christine Burke	2002
	Robert Bird	2003

TOWN OF HOPEDALE
OFFICIALS AND APPOINTED POSITIONS

		Term Expires
Americans with Disabilities ADA Coordinator	**Allan Klepper**	
Animal Inspector	**Leon Mael**	
Associate Assessor	**Russ Murray***	
Bancroft Mem. Library Dir.	**Elaine Malloy***	
Board of Assessors	**Richard Volpe©**	**2002**
	Lisa Alberto	**2003**
	Robert Carbone*	**2002**
	Daryl Powell*	**2003**
Board of Registrars	**Dorothy Milanoski©**	**2003**
	Robert (Zeke) Hammond	**2005**
	Joseph Drugan	**2004**
Building Commissioner	**Michael Tusino**	**2003**
By-Law Review Committee	**Ken Andre**	
	Christine Burke	
	Robert (Zeke) Hammond	
	Richard Mank	
	Ronda Ohannesian	
Capital Program Committee	**James Carroll(f)**	**2005**
	Howard Maurer	**2003**
	Ed Burt	**2003**
	Karla Hopkins(f)	**2003**
Cemetery Committee	**Roberta F. Simmons**	**2005**
	Donald Ellmore*	**2002**
	Howard Thayer	
Central Mass. Reg. Pl. Com.	**Allan Klepper***	
Chief Procurement Officer	**Allan Klepper***	
Comm. on Disabilities	**Peter Ellis, Jr.**	
	Margaret Flynn	
Conservation Commission	**Jennifer Weaver-Heim©***	**2003**
	Brian Koch	
	Curtis Clark	**2003**
	Timothy Alger*	**2002**
	James Schliefke*	
	Colleen Iacovelli	**2005**
Constables	**Victor Best**	**2003**
	James Gardner	**2003**

	Richard Mank	2003
	Francis J. McVeigh, Jr.	2003
Council on Aging	Mary Challela©	
	Joan Bradbury	
	Elizabeth Bartolet	
	Barbara Delphos	
	Robert Hammond	
	Claudette Hughes	
	Annemarie Kontoff	
Council on Aging Director	Carole Mullen	
Cultural Council	Wilma Manning©	2003
	Ann Labrode	2004
	Virginia Larkin	2004
	Elizabeth Lerner	2003
	AnnMarie Lockwood	2002
	Susan Pagnini*	
	Dorothy Suzanska	2003
	Blank	
Dog Officer	John Gagnon*	
Finance Committee	Don Comastra©	2005
	Karla Hopkins	2004
	James Carroll	2005
	Eugene Phillips	2003
Fire Chief	Scott Garland	
Gas & Plumbing Inspector	John Balanca	
Health Agent	Lenny Izzo	
High Way Department	Robert Deponte	
Historical Commission	Merrily Sparling©	2004
	Judith Phillips	2002
	James Kinney	
	Elaine Malloy	
	Frederick Oldfield, III	2004
	Tara Taglianetti-Chambers	2002
Historical Documents	Robert (Zeke) Hammond	
	Frederick Oldfield III	
	Merrily Sparling	
Housing Authority Director	Katherine Consigli	
Housing Authority State Appt.	Edith Francis	2005
Local Emergency Management	Scott Garland	
Parking Fines Clerk	Donna Lamphere	
Personnel Committee	Diana Hayes©	

	Harry Murphy	2004
	Chris Madden*	2004
	Margaret McElroy	2002
	Dennis Madigan	2003
Police Chief	Eugene Costanza	
Red Shop Committee	Robert Brown	
	William Gannett	
	Merrily Sparling	
School Building Committee	David Pantano©	
	Edward Burke	
	Ed Burt	
	Linda Caulkins	
	Grace Dorsey	
	Justine Tonelli	
	Jessica LeMarbre	
	Elizabeth Lerner	
	Debra Madden	
	Richard Martin	
	Howard Maurer	
School Superintendent	Andrea Hallion	
Tax Collector/Treasurer	Christine Goodwin	
Town Coordinator	Allen Klepper*	
Town Counsel	Kopelman & Paige	
Veteran's Agent	Anthony Mastroianni	
Wiring Inspector	Albert Shimkus	
Ass. Wiring Inspector	Joseph Scanzaroli	
Zoning Board of Appeals	Thomas Haynes©	2005
	Louis Arcudi III	2005
	Steven Gallagher	2005
	Ross Mazzarelli	2006
	Timothy Alger	2004
Zoning Enforcement Officer	Michael Tusino	

*Allan Klepper resigned effective November 2002
*Russ Murray retired July 2002
*Elaine Malloy retired Spring 2002
*Robert Carbone died Fall 2001
*Daryl Powell appt. Oct. 2001
*Daryl Powell resigned Sept. 2002
*Donald Ellmore resigned 2002
*Jennifer Weaver-Heim resigned 2002
*Timothy Alger resigned Feb. 2002
*Susan Pagnini resigned March 2002
*Diana Hayes resigned March 2002
*Chris Madden resigned March 2002

TOWN OF HOPEDALE – SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
Tuesday, November 13th, 2001 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening
in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School

Worcester SS: To Constables in the Town of Hopedale in the County of Worcester. Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School on Tuesday, November 13th, 2001, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds as detailed below to pay prior year bills (pre 7/1/01), or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Proposed transfers (9/10th vote required.) total $680.60 for:

To Account	*Amount*	*From Account*	*Amount*
Industrial Oil & Chemical, Milford	*$334.00*	*Sewer Dept.*	*$334.00*
Industrial Oil & Chemical, Milford	*$274.60*	*Sewer Dept.*	*$274.60*
Microbac Labs, Inc. Marlborough	*$72.00*	*Water Dept.*	*$72.00*

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the unspent balance of $600,000 from the Jr./Sr. High School renovation/expansion project into Stabilization, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: The School Building Committee has completed the project within the allotted $15.25 million and will not require the contingency funds.
Submitted by School Building Committee Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds such sums as may be required for various purposes, or take any other related action thereto.
Commentary: Transfers are expected to total $36,611 to be used as follows:

GIS support – correcting map/lot assignment errors and providing operator training by Selectmen	*$10,061*
Mini-personnel study of department head compensation and benefits review by Personnel Com.	*$1,000*
Town Hall renovation/upgrade/ADA compliance grants preparations (delaying funding major project for building renovations and upgrade pending outcome of grants potentials) by Selectmen.	*$9,150*
Public Safety (Police and Fire Depts.) communications system completion (project initiated during installation of cellphone antennas atop water tank) by Selectmen.	*$7,400*
Displacement of Hopedale Street RR Overpass by Selectmen	*$9,000*

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin. Com. Rec: Approve all except for the mini-personnel study.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the renovation, upgrade and expansion of the Hopedale Fire Station by raising and appropriating, borrowing or transferring the sum of $1,934,000 for the project, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This project will complete the restoration and upgrade efforts begun with the station floor replacement (currently underway) to bring this 1914 structure up-to-date and extend its useful life. It is anticipated that the project be funded via a 20-year bond, as the benefits of the rehabilitation project will be enjoyed well into the future.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize a sally port expansion and renovation of the Hopedale Police Station by raising and appropriating, borrowing or transferring the sum of $186,000 for the project, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This project will add a sally port – a controlled space for safely transferring persons in police custody from cruisers into the station – as well as provide necessary rehabilitation to the structure. It is anticipated that this project's funding be included in the 20-year bond for the Fire Station work.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin. Com. Rec: At meeting

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or to lease-purchase a fire engine over a period exceeding three years (four), at a total cost, including financing, not to exceed $270,000, (with estimated annual payments in the case of a lease-purchase, of $67,500), and to appropriate a sum of money therefore from available funds or general revenues, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Engine #2 has badly deteriorated – its water tank has completely failed and is not recommended for repair. Due for replacement in FY02, the 1968 open cab Maxim pumper is currently out of service and must be replaced.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin Com Rec: At meeting

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Road Commission to purchase or to lease-purchase a highway truck over a period exceeding three years (four), at a total cost, including financing, not to exceed $115,000, (with estimated annual payments in the case of a lease-purchase, of $28,750), and to appropriate a sum of money therefore from available funds or general revenues, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This truck replaces a 1978 International dump truck (to be traded-in) and includes a snowplow.
Submitted by Road Commission Fin. Com. At meeting

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of monies from Free Cash to various departments/accounts for capital projects, upon the recommendations of the Capital Program Committee, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Proposed transfers total $372,656 for:

Department	*Project/Account*	*Amount*
Fire Dept.	*Engine #4 refurbishment*	*$50,000*
Board of Health	*Recycling Center relocation to WWTP*	*$25,000*
Fire Dept.	*Municipal Alarm system replacement*	*$10,000*

Selectmen	*Town Hall roof replacement*	*$30,000*
Police Dept.	*Police Cruiser replacement*	*$33,291*
Highway Dept.	*Liquid calcium dispenser systems*	*$10,375*
Park Comm.	*Four wheel drive 72" deck mower*	*$18,990*
School Dept.	*Park Street facility roof replacement*	*$85,000*
School Dept.	*Additional 71 passenger school bus*	*$54,000*
Fire Dept.	*Self Contained Breathing Apparatus rplcmnt*	*$14,500*
Fire Dept.	*Civil Defense (Local Emer. Mgmt. Agency)*	*$13,500*
School Dept.	*Central Air Conditioning at Memorial School Multi-purpose room.*	*$28,000*

Submitted by Finance Committee Fin. Com. Rec: At meeting

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to amend Town Bylaw Chapter II, Town Meetings, Section 7 as follows: "The number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at any Town Meeting shall be ~~fifty~~ **twenty-five**; provided, however, that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. ~~This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers~~." or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: Town meetings in recent years have been consistently delayed due to a lack of qualifying the 50-voter quorum. Change will facilitate timely conduct of Town Meeting business.

Submitted by: Board of Registrars Fin. Com. Rec: Unfavorable

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to amend Town Bylaw Chapter XIV, Dog Leash Law, Section 7, License Fees and Procedure, to increase dog license fees for unspayed or unneutered dogs to **$25.00** from ~~$10.00~~; for spayed or neutered dogs to **$10.00** from ~~$7.00~~; to increase the penalty for late license application to **$10.00** from ~~$1.00~~; and to strike the language allowing the ~~Town Clerk to retain $1.00 for processing a dog license~~, or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: These recommended changes bring our fee schedule and procedures into alignment with surrounding communities.

Submitted by Board of Health Fin. Com. Rec: Unfavorable

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to amend Town Bylaw Chapter VIII, Streets and Highways, by adding the following language: "Section 7. No person shall ride upon any vehicle **(including skateboards, bicycles, roller-skates or in-line skates)** on any sidewalk in the ~~town~~ **central district of the Town that includes Hopedale Street from Mendon Street to Freedom Street; Adin Street from the Memorial School driveway to Hopedale Street; Dutcher Street from Adin Street to Freedom Street; plus Depot, Draper, Hope, Union, Peace and Social Streets; or on any municipal property therein. Violators within the central district or reckless riders in other areas shall have their vehicles confiscated and impounded and must appear at the Police Station together with parent/guardian in order to retrieve same. In the case of a second offense, the vehicle will be impounded for 15 days and the violator must appear at the Police Station for retrieval as aforesaid. A third offense will result in impoundment for 1 year subject to the same retrieval process. In event the vehicle**

is unclaimed after 13 months (one additional month) it may be disposed of in accordance with Town Bylaw. Section 8. Whenever the practice of **coasting on any of the streets specified in Section 7, or** coasting on any other streets in the town has become dangerous to the public safety, the selectmen shall post notices in conspicuous places on such streets or sidewalks, forbidding all persons to coast upon the same; and no person shall coast thereon after the posting of such notice. **Violators will be subject to the same penalties as specified in Section 7.**
Commentary: These bylaw sections contained no provisions for offenders. Reasonable restrictions have been imposed for the central core of the community but lessened in other areas. Rather than fines, the impoundment approach appears prudent.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin. Com. Rec: Unfavorable

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public street 269.75 feet more or less of **Tandem Way**, including the road, ways and utilities set forth on a certain plan of land entitled: "Definitive plan entitled Jefco Industrial Park" in Hopedale, MA, owned by 10 Tandem Way Realty Trust, 10 Tandem Way, Hopedale, MA. Scale: 1" = 40', September 14, 2001, by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., 333 West Street, Milford, MA., 01757, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, plan book 493, plans 7 & 8; and further to authorize the Road Commissioners to acquire by gift and to accept the deed to the Inhabitants of the Town of an easement in Tandem Way as shown on said plan, upon such terms and conditions as it shall determine appropriate, for the purposes of a public way, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: this portion of road is found to meet acceptable codes and accepting it will add to the Town's street inventory for which state highway funds are allocated.
Submitted by Road Commission Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public street 550 feet more or less of **Centennial Street**, including the road, ways and utilities set forth on a certain plan of land entitled: "Centennial Estates Subdivision of Land for Centennial Realty and Development, Inc." in Hopedale, MA, owned by Centennial Realty and Development, Inc. Scale: 1" = 40', April, 1986, by Bibeault and Florentz Engineering Co, Inc., 117 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, plan book 594, plan 101; and further to authorize the Road Commissioners to acquire by gift and to accept the deed to the Inhabitants of the Town of an easement in Centennial Street as shown on said plan, upon such terms and conditions as it shall determine appropriate, for the purposes of a public way, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: this portion of street is found to meet acceptable codes and accepting it will add to the Town's street inventory for which state highway funds are allocated.
Submitted by Road Commission Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public street 311.86 feet more or less of **Jones Road**, including the road, ways and utilities set forth on a certain plan of land entitled: "Layout of Jones Road in Hopedale, MA". Scale: 1" = 40', June 2, 1987, revised Sept. 27, 2001, by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., 333 West Street, Milford, MA., 01757, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, plan book 490, plan 26; and further to authorize the Road Commissioners to acquire by gift and to accept the deed to

the Inhabitants of the Town of an easement in Jones Road as shown on said plan, upon such terms and conditions as it shall determine appropriate, for the purposes of a public way, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: this portion of road is found to meet acceptable codes and accepting it will add to the Town's street inventory for which state highway funds are allocated.
Submitted by Road Commission Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of Assessors parcel 17-43-0 to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of conveyance and to authorize the Selectmen to convey said parcel upon such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This 11,552 square ft. parcel, zoned commercial, was taken for tax title some years ago. The intention is to dispose of the property in accordance with state law that requires open bids; with the minimum acceptable no less than the current Assessor's valuation.
Submitted by Board of Selectmen Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the three public places in different parts of the Town not less than fourteen days before the holding of said meeting. Hereof fail not to make the due return of the meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this 29th day of October, 2001.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael A. Milanoski, Chm. Michael E. Collins Alan J. Ryan

A True Copy, ATTEST: Rondel. Ohannesian
Posted in the Town Hall, Community House, and Post Office Lobby.

W. James Gardner 102901
Constable Date
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TOWN OF HOPEDALE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WORCESTER, SS.
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 13, 2001

The inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in the Auditorium of the JR./SR. High School at 7:00 PM. At 7:17 PM Moderator Francis J. Larkin called the meeting to order and declared a quorum (50) present. The meeting was called under the authority of a Warrant dated 29 October 2001.

The Moderator called for a motion for floor privileges for Officials of Hopedale residing out of town. They are:

> **Town Coordinator, Allan Klepper; School Superintendent, Andrea Hallion; Fire Chief, Scott Garland; Police Chief, Eugene Costanza; Town Accountant, Sharon Emerick; Treasurer, Christine Goodwin; Library Director, Beth Hoffer**

Moved, seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

Prior to consideration of any articles, a brief ceremony took place honoring retired Library Director Elaine Malloy by Library Trustees, Historical Commission and Selectmen. Trustee Chairman Fred Oldfield and member Roger Edwards spoke about Elaine and her contribution to the library and the Town of Hopedale.

Selectman Alan Ryan presented Elaine with a plaque from the State House on behalf of the Historical Committee. Elaine was instrumental in obtaining grants to restore the Library and the Statue of Hope on the library grounds.

Selectman Chairman Mike Milanoski presented a proclamation to Elaine on behalf of the Board of Selectman, followed by flowers from the Town Hall employees presented by Town Accountant Sharon Emerick.

After receiving more kudos from other town residents and officials, Elaine spoke. She acknowledged her love of Hopedale and the Library. She finally shared that she promised her husband Dan that when he retired, she would too. And so we bid farewell to our Library Director.

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The state legislature has yet to deal with revenue shortfalls, fix its budget for the current year and settle on state aid to cities and towns. This means that the amount of state aid has yet to be confirmed. As these revenues represent a significant portion of our budget, it has been deemed prudent to postpone a number of major project considerations until a time by which the state will have concluded its deliberations. December 11th has been reserved to reconvene this meeting after tonight's deliberations. Therefore Articles 4, 5, 6, and 7 (the fire station, police station, fire engine, and highway truck) will be passed over tonight – to be considered on 12/11/01. Owing to the time-sensitivity of certain projects, some of the items in Articles 3 and 8 will be considered tonight – with the balance passed over for consideration on 12/11/01.

Gene Phillips moved to dispense with reading of the Warrant.

Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

Due to time constraints of a resident actively supporting article 11, and with no objections Article 11 was considered first.

ARTICLE 11: Selectmen Michael Collins moved to amend Town Bylaw Chapter VIII, Streets and Highways, by adding the following language: "Section 7. No person shall ride upon any vehicle (including skateboards, bicycles, roller-skates or in-line skates) on any sidewalk in the ~~town~~ central district of the Town that includes Hopedale Street from Mendon Street to Freedom Street; Adin Street from the Memorial School driveway to Hopedale Street; Dutcher Street from Adin Street to Freedom Street; plus Depot, Draper, Hope, Union, Peace and Social Streets; or on any municipal property therein, or in a reckless manner on any other sidewalks. In addition to enforcement by criminal complaint, this bylaw may be enforced by any Hopedale Police Officer by non-criminal disposition for which the following fines shall be levied: 1st violation - $5.00; 2nd violation - $15.00; 3rd and subsequent violations - $30.00."Section 8. Whenever the practice of coasting on any of the streets specified in Section 7, **or** coasting on any other streets in the town has become dangerous to the public safety, the selectmen shall post notices in conspicuous places on such streets or sidewalks, forbidding all persons to coast upon the same; and no person shall coast thereon after the posting of such notice. Violators will be subject to the same penalties as specified in Section 7."

Seconded. After much discussion, it was voted to pass-over this article.

ARTICLE 1: Don Comastra, FinCom Chairman, moved to transfer $680.60 from the following accounts to pay prior year bills (pre 7/1/01):

To Account	Amount	From Account	Amount
Industrial Oil & Chemical, Milford	$334.00		
Industrial Oil & Chemical, Milford	$274.60	Sewer Dept.	$608.60
Microbac Labs, Inc. Marlborough	$72.00	Water Dept.	$72.00

Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator. (9/10 needed)

ARTICLE 2: Don Comastra moved to transfer the balance of $600,000 from the Jr./Sr. High School renovation/expansion project into Stabilization.

Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 3: Selectman Chairman Mike Milanoski moved to transfer $16,550 from free cash to fund the following projects and to pass-over all others in the article for consideration on 12/11/01:

Town Hall renovation/upgrade/ADA compliance grants
preparations (delaying funding major project for building
renovations and upgrade pending outcome of grants

potentials) by Selectmen. $9,150

Public Safety (Police and Fire Depts.) communications system completion (project initiated during installation of cellphone antennas atop water tank) by Selectmen. $7,400

Seconded and voted. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

Fin Com Chairman Don Comastra moved the following articles:

ARTICLE 4: I move to pass-over until 12/11/01.
Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 5: I move to pass-over until 12/11/01.
Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6: I move to pass-over until 12/11/01.
Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 7: I move to pass-over until 12/11/01.
Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8: Don Comastra moved to transfer $160,375 from Free Cash to fund the following projects/programs and to pass-over all others in the article for consideration on 12/11/01:

Department	Project/Account	Amount
Board of Health	Recycling Center relocation to WWTP	$25,000
Fire Dept.	Municipal Alarm system replacement	$10,000
Selectmen	Town Hall roof replacement	$30,000
Highway Dept.	Liquid calcium dispenser systems	$10,375
School Dept.	Park Street facility roof replacement	$85,000

Seconded.

School Committee Chairman Earle Test moved to amend the free cash transfer to $214,375 and include the 71-passenger school bus at $54,000.

Seconded. After discussion a voted was taken on the amendment. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

On the original article, a motion was made to include Fire truck #4 @ $50,000. Seconded. Again, after much discussion, the amendment to include Fire Truck #4 was withdrawn.

Vote was taken on the article. The ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 9: Board of Registrar Chairman Dottie Milanoski and Zeke Hammond moved to amend Town Bylaw Chapter II, Town Meetings, Section 7 as follows: "The number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at any Town Meeting shall be ~~fifty~~ **twenty-five**; provided, however, that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. ~~This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of town officers~~."

Seconded. Much heated discussion from former board member, former town officials and residents.

A vote was taken and the article was defeated as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 10: Joanne Monique, Board of Health moved to amend Town Bylaw Chapter XIV, Dog Leash Law, Section 7, License Fees and Procedure, to increase dog license fees for unspayed or unneutered dogs to **$25.00** from ~~$10.00~~; for spayed or neutered dogs to **$10.00** from ~~$7.00~~; to increase the penalty for late license application to **$10.00** from ~~$1.00~~; and to strike the language allowing the ~~Town Clerk to retain $1.00 for processing a dog license~~..

Seconded. Some discussion, then moved, seconded and voted to pass over, as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 12: Selectman Mike Milanoski move to accept as a public street 269.75 feet more or less of **Tandem Way**, including the road, ways and utilities set forth on a certain plan of land entitled: "Definitive plan entitled Jefco Industrial Park" in Hopedale, MA, owned by 10 Tandem Way Realty Trust, 10 Tandem Way, Hopedale, MA. Scale: 1" = 40', September 14, 2001, by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., 333 West Street, Milford, MA., 01757, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, plan book 493, plans 7 & 8; and further to authorize the Road Commissioners to acquire by gift and to accept the deed to the Inhabitants of the Town of an easement in Tandem Way as shown on said plan, upon such terms and conditions as it shall determine appropriate, for the purposes of a public way.

A motion was made, seconded to dispense with reading of complete article. Voted ayes have it as declared by the moderator.

Some discussion and then a vote on the article. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 13: Mike Milanoski moved to accept as a public street 550 feet more or less of **Centennial Street**, including the road, ways and utilities set forth on a certain plan of land entitled: "Centennial Estates Subdivision of Land for Centennial Realty and Development, Inc." in Hopedale, MA, owned by Centennial Realty and Development, Inc. Scale: 1" = 40', April, 1986, by Bibeault and Florentz Engineering Co, Inc., 117 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, plan book 594, plan 101; and further to authorize the Road Commissioners to acquire by gift and to accept the deed to the Inhabitants of the Town of an easement in Centennial Street as shown on said plan, upon such terms and conditions as it shall determine appropriate, for the purposes of a public way.

A motion made and seconded to dispense with reading of complete article. Voted ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

A vote on the article. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 14: Mike Milanoski, Selectman, moved to accept as a public street 311.86 feet more or less of **Jones Road**, including the road, ways and utilities set forth on a certain plan of land entitled: "Layout of Jones Road in Hopedale, MA". Scale: 1" = 40', June 2, 1987, revised Sept. 27, 2001, by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., 333 West Street, Milford, MA., 01757, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, plan book 490, plan 26; and further to authorize the Road Commissioners to acquire by gift and to accept the deed to the Inhabitants of the Town of an easement in Jones Road as shown on said plan, upon such terms and conditions as it shall determine appropriate, for the purposes of a public way.

Seconded and voted. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 15: Mike Milanoski, Selectman, moved to transfer the care, custody, management and control of Assessors parcel 17-43-0 to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of conveyance and to authorize the Selectmen to convey said parcel upon such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate.

Seconded. Vote taken and ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

A motion was made to move to adjourn now and reconvene this meeting on December 11th, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dennett Auditorium of the Jr./Sr. High School.

Seconded and voted unanimously.

Meeting adjourned until December 11th 2001.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2001
RECONVENED

Meeting has been reconvened with a quorum as declared by the Moderator.

Moderator asks for a moment of silence for the tragedy of September 11th.

The Moderator speaks about those residents who have served Hopedale for many years and have recently passed away. They are Hilda Hammond, Helen Shimkus, Jim McGrath and Linda Alves.

ARTICLE 3: FinCom member Gene Phillips moved to transfer $19,061 from Free Cash to fund the following projects:

GIS support – correcting map/lot assignment errors
And providing operator training $10,061.

Displacement of Hopedale Street RR Overpass
$9,000.

Motion Seconded and voted. The ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 4: **Selectman Chair Mike Milanoski** moved to authorize the renovation, upgrade and expansion of the Hopedale Fire Station at a total cost of $1,934,000 to be financed by general obligation bonds.

Mr. Abdul Hamadeh was introduced as President of the Architectural Firm. He gave a Power point presentation on the expansion.

There were many questions – both for the architect and the Fire Chief, Scott Garland. The chief gave an explanation – of the background of the fire station, and the future of the station.

After much discussion, a motion was made to table the article until April. Motion seconded and a standing vote was taken. The motion to table was defeated.

Don Comastra and Mike Milanoski gave more explanation.

Motion seconded and voted. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 5: **Don Comastra** moved to transfer $95,186 from Free Cash to fund the renovation of the Hopedale Police Station including a single bay sally port.

Motion seconded. Brief discussion. Vote taken and the ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6: **Don Comastra** moved to authorize the Board of Selectman to lease-purchase a fire engine (to replace Engine # 2) over a period exceeding three years (or four), at a total cost not to exceed $270,000, including financing, and to transfer $67,500 from Free Cash to fund the first year's payment.

Motion seconded. After a brief discussion a vote was taken. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 7: **Don Comastra** moved to transfer $105,100 from Free Cash to fund the purchase of a replacement dump truck with snowplow attachment.

Motion seconded. A brief explanation. Selectman Chair Mike Milanoski gave an explanation to questions regarding tax rate.

A vote was taken. The ayes have it as declared by the moderator.

ARTICLE 8: **Don Comastra** moved to transfer $33,291 from Free Cash to fund the purchase of a replacement police cruiser and associated equipment.

Motion seconded. A vote was taken and the ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

Motion to dissolve Special Town Meeting. Seconded. Voted and meeting dissolved at 8:30 PM. GOOD NIGHT HOPEDALE!

True Copy Attest:

Town Clerk
Ronda I. Ohannesian

WARRANT
TOWN OF HOPEDALE – SPECIAL TOWN MEETING CONTINUATION
Tuesday, December 11th, 2001 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening
in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School

Worcester SS: To Constables in the Town of Hopedale in the County of Worcester. Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to continue the meeting in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School on Tuesday, December 11th, 2001, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

NOTE: Articles are modified to reflect remaining elements pending consideration.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds such sums as may be required for various purposes, or take any other related action thereto.
Commentary: Transfers are expected to total $20,061 to be used as follows:

GIS support – correcting map/lot assignment errors and providing operator training by Selectmen	*$10,061*
Mini-personnel study of department head compensation and benefits review by Personnel Com.	*$1,000*
Displacement of Hopedale Street RR Overpass by Selectmen	*$9,000*

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin. Com. Rec: Approve all except for the mini-personnel study.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the renovation, upgrade and expansion of the Hopedale Fire Station by raising and appropriating, borrowing or transferring the sum of $1,934,000 for the project, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This project will complete the restoration and upgrade efforts begun with the station floor replacement (currently underway) to bring this 1914 structure up-to-date and extend its useful life. It is anticipated that the project be funded via a 20-year bond, as the benefits of the rehabilitation project will be enjoyed well into the future.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin. Com. Rec: Favorable

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize a sally port expansion and renovation of the Hopedale Police Station by raising and appropriating, borrowing or transferring the sum of $186,000 for the project, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This project will add a sally port – a controlled space for safely transferring persons in police custody from cruisers into the station – as well as provide necessary rehabilitation to the structure. It is anticipated that this project's funding be included in the 20-year bond for the Fire Station work.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin. Com. Rec: At meeting

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or to lease-purchase a fire engine over a period exceeding three years (four), at a total cost, including financing, not to exceed $270,000, (with estimated annual payments

in the case of a lease-purchase, of $67,500), and to appropriate a sum of money therefore from available funds or general revenues, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Engine #2 has badly deteriorated – its water tank has completely failed and is not recommended for repair. Due for replacement in FY02, the 1968 open cab Maxim pumper is currently out of service and must be replaced.
Submitted by Selectmen Fin Com Rec: At meeting

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Road Commission to purchase or to lease-purchase a highway truck over a period exceeding three years (four), at a total cost, including financing, not to exceed $115,000, (with estimated annual payments in the case of a lease-purchase, of $28,750), and to appropriate a sum of money therefore from available funds or general revenues, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: This truck replaces a 1978 International dump truck (to be traded-in) and includes a snowplow.
Submitted by Road Commission Fin. Com. At meeting

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of monies from Free Cash to various departments/accounts for capital projects, upon the recommendations of the Capital Program Committee, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Proposed transfers total $158,281 for:

Department	*Project/Account*	*Amount*
Fire Dept.	*Engine #4 refurbishment*	*$50,000*
Police Dept.	*Police Cruiser replacement*	*$33,291*
Park Comm.	*Four wheel drive 72" deck mower*	*$18,990*
Fire Dept.	*Self Contained Breathing Apparatus rplcmnt*	*$14,500*
Fire Dept.	*Civil Defense (Local Emer. Mgmt. Agency)*	*$13,500*
School Dept.	*Central Air Conditioning at Memorial School Multi-purpose room.*	*$28,000*

Submitted by Finance Committee Fin. Com. Rec: At meeting

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the three public places in different parts of the Town not less than fourteen days before the holding of said meeting. Hereof fail not to make the due return of the meeting aforesaid.

A True Copy, ATTEST: Randal - Ohannesian

Posted in the Town Hall, Community House, and Post Office Lobby.

Constable 120301
Date

TOWN OF HOPEDALE – ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Tuesday, April 9th, 2002 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening
in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School

Worcester SS: To the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in the County of Worcester. Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School on Tuesday, April 9th, 2002, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Selectmen and other offices, departments, or committees of said town, or take any other action related thereto.
Submitted by: Board of Selectmen Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to GLc.41, §108 to fix the annual salary and compensation for each elected Town officer and further to see if the Town will vote to fix the annual compensation for special appointed officials for his/her service in fiscal year 2003, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: The proposed amounts are:

Position	*Total Compensation for Position(s)*
Town Moderator (1)	*$200*
Board of Selectmen (3)	*$6,500*
*Town Clerk (1)**	*$22,292*
Road Commissioners (3)	*$2,200*
Board of Health (3)	*$1,850*
Park Commissioners (3)	*$1,600*
Water/Sewer Commissioners (3)	*$1,600*
Tree Warden (1)	*$1000*
Planning Board (5)	*$3,700*
Board of Assessors (3) appt.	*$4,100*
Board of Registrars (3) appt.	*$1,600*
Clerk to Registrars (1)	*$500*
Zoning Board of Appeals (5) appt.	*$1,300*
Finance Committee (9) appt.	*$950*

** Town Clerk is paid weekly; all others twice per year.*
The School Committee compensation for 5 totaling $5,500 is contained in the School Department Budget.
Submitted by: Board of Selectmen Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through assessments provided under GLc.83, §16, and to be collected under GLc.44, §53E, bond issue payments of $93,527 for the Sewer Department, or take any other action related thereto.
Submitted by: Water and Sewer Commissioners Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Town Bylaw, Chapter XXII-B, The Personnel Administration Bylaw, to increase the Compensation Plan by 2.7%, or take any other action related thereto.

Proposed Compensation Plan

Grade	Hourly Minimum	Hourly Maximum	Annual Minimum at 40 Hrs	Annual Maximum at 40 Hrs	Annual Minimum at 37.5 Hrs	Annual Maximum at 37.5 Hrs	% Between Grades	% Between Min/Max
1	8.62	10.34	17,922.38	21,506.86	16,802.23	20,162.68		20%
2	11.20	13.44	23,299.10	27,958.92	21,842.90	26,211.48	30%	20%
3	11.65	13.98	24,231.06	29,077.27	22,716.62	27,259.94	4%	20%
4	12.12	14.54	25,200.30	30,240.36	23,625.28	28,350.34	4%	20%
5	12.72	15.27	26,460.32	31,752.38	24,806.55	29,767.86	5%	20%
6	13.36	16.03	27,783.33	33,340.00	26,046.88	31,256.25	5%	20%
7	14.43	17.31	30,006.00	36,007.20	28,130.63	33,756.75	8%	20%
8	15.00	18.00	31,206.24	37,447.49	29,255.85	35,107.02	4%	20%
9	15.60	20.28	32,454.49	42,190.84	30,426.09	39,553.91	4%	30%
10	17.16	22.31	35,699.94	46,409.92	33,468.69	43,509.30	10%	30%
11	19.74	26.65	41,054.93	55,424.16	38,489.00	51,960.15	15%	35%
12	23.69	34.34	49,265.92	71,435.58	46,186.80	66,970.86	20%	45%

Commentary: Town Bylaw provides that this plan be adjusted from time to time. Inflation experienced for the calendar year 2001 was 2.7% (BLS Consumer Price Index – Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers). This recommendation adjusts the plan, not individual wages that are a function of budgetary decisions.

Submitted by: Personnel Com. Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer $33,934 from the Cable Access Revolving Account to the General Fund to defray Cable Access Committee operations for Fiscal Year 2003 as contained in the Finance Committee Budget Report, or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: Franchise fees transfer to fully fund local cable operations.

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available Treasury funds, such sums of money as deemed necessary to defray Town charges for Fiscal Year 2003 as contained in the Finance Committee Budget Report, or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: This is the total budget for the coming year. See Budget section for details.

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of monies into the Reserve Fund, or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: The proposed amount is $25,000.

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of monies into and/or out of the Stabilization Fund as provided under GLc.40, §5B, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the continued use of a revolving fund pursuant to GLc.44, §53E½ for the purpose of funding a hazardous waste collection day and recycling program to include composting and yard waste and other related costs, which fund shall be credited with receipts from the Board of Health to be expended under the authority of the Board of Health, such expenditures not to exceed $30,000 for the fiscal year 2003; or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: While self-funding, this expenditure limit has been tripled for the coming year as the new Recycling Center at the rear of the WWTP will be in full operation.
Submitted by: Board of Health Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the continued use of a revolving fund pursuant to GLc.44, §53E½ for the purpose of funding the operating costs of the animal control division of the Hopedale Board of Health, which fund will be credited with receipts for the boarding of stray animals, fines for violations, and the licensing of animals, to be expended under the authority of the Board of Health, such expenditures not to exceed $10,000 for the fiscal year 2003; or take any other action related thereto.
Submitted by: Board of Health Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to spend without further appropriation in accordance with GLc.131, §40 certain sums as received in filing fees from prior fiscal years, for the fiscal year 2003, or take any other action related thereto.
Submitted by: Conservation Commission Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Chapter 90 State reimbursement funds for the purpose of providing road paving/improvement projects, or take any other action related thereto.
Submitted by: Road Commissioners Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to approve the transfer $57,900 from Water Retained Earnings to the Water Department operating budget, or take any other action related thereto:
Commentary: This transfer will fund the purchase of a replacement truck, together with a utility body and associated equipment for improved field service by the Water Dept.
Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, and/or borrow the sum of $8,450,000 for the extension of sewer services and construction of a sewerage system and related work in the South Hopedale, Freedom Street, and Neck Hill Road areas as designated on a Plan drawn by Tata & Howard, entitled "Sewer System Map, Hopedale, MA." dated July 1998, and to authorize the Water & Sewer Commission and Board of Selectmen to allocate the cost of such project as follows: 57.4% by betterment assessment by the uniform unit method pursuant to GLc.83, §15, and 42.6% from the general fund (taxes), or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: The project is anticipated to encompass four phases, each averaging $2 mil+; to be completed within six years. Approximately 57.4% of the project cost is related to the installation of collector sewers while 42.6% is related to overall system improvements

(interceptors, pump stations, and force main sewers), hence the betterment vs. real estate tax allotment. Based upon the recommendation of the Town's consulting engineers, $3,600,000 or 42.6% of the $8,450,000 total estimated cost is directly related to system improvements. Therefore, the Water & Sewer Commission recommends that 57.4% of the debt be placed onto the owners of the 516 lots as a betterment (projects are retired with equal principal and diminishing interest payments) such that each lot owner would pay the 40 year betterment starting at $709 per year, diminishing over the years to $248. 42.6% of the project debt would be paid by all taxpayers; at an increase in tax burden to the average single-family home valued at $204,749 starting at $129 in the initial year, diminishing to $45 in the final year. Note: those that pay the betterment would also pay the real estate tax.
Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission Fin Com Rec

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation authorizing the apportionment of sewer betterment assessments for up to forty years to read as follows:
"AN ACT authorizing the Town of Hopedale to apportion sewer better assessments over a period of up to forty years and to charge interest thereon at a rate equal to the Town's borrowing rate.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and the authority of the same, as follows:
Section 1: Notwithstanding any Special or General Law to the contrary, the Town of Hopedale is hereby authorized to assess interest on apportionments of sewer betterment assessments at a rate equal to the rate of interest chargeable to the town for the betterment project to which the assessments relate, or at the rate set forth in GLc.80, §13, as chosen by the Water & Sewer Commission of the Town of Hopedale.
Section 2: Notwithstanding any Special or General Law to the contrary, the Board of Assessors of the Town of Hopedale shall apportion all assessments or unpaid balances of betterment assessments made under GLc.80 for sewer projects into such number of equal annual portions, not more than forty, as is requested by the Water & Sewer Commission, and owners may not request a shorter period of time than requested by said Board of Water & Sewer Commission, provided that owners may pay the entire amount due at any time.
Section 3: This act shall take effect upon its passage."
..., or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: These actions are intended to give the Town the option of financing the sewer expansion project for up to forty years and minimize debt service interest costs to users.
Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission Fin Com Rec:

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the three public places in different parts of the Town not less than seven days before the holding of said meeting. Hereof fail not to make the due return of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 18th day of March 2002.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael A. Milanoski, Chm. | Michael E. Collins | Alan J. Ryan

A True Copy, ATTEST: Ronda L. Dhanneskar

Posted in the Town Hall, Community House, and Post Office Lobby.

Constable | 03-19-02 Date

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TOWN OF HOPEDALE – SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Tuesday, April 9th, 2002 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening
in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School

Worcester SS: To the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in the County of Worcester. Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School on Tuesday, April 9th, 2002, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer sums of money from certain accounts to others to adjust the fiscal year 2002 operating budget, or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: Potential sources and uses of funds are listed: estimated $87,000 in transfers. Final details to be determined: actual transfers will be specific in detail as to source/use.

To Account	*Amount*	*From Account*	*Amount*
Legal	*$20,000*	*Unemployment Comp.*	*$20,000*
Police Overtime	*$13,000*	*Police Salaries*	*$13,000*
Town Police Details	*$3,000*	*Health Insurance*	*$3,000*
Ambulance Temp.	*$200*	*Amb. Receipts Reserved*	*$200*
Ambulance Overtime	*$3,800*	*Amb. Receipts Reserved*	*$3,800*
BOH Refuse Collection	*$47,000*	*Health Insurance*	*$47,000*

Submitted by: Finance Committee Fin. Com. Rec:

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, maintenance and control of a portion, consisting of .34 acres as described in the accompanying plan, of the parcel of land described below, from the Conservation Commission to the Water & Sewer Commission for the purpose of installing, constructing, operating and maintaining a water booster pump station and appurtenant water facilities; said land is located on Moore Road in Hopedale and is described as parcel 3 in a deed recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds in Book 15009 Page 353; said portion to be transferred as shown on a plan labeled Special Town Meeting Warrant Article 2 Plan, dated 4/9/02, and further, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts General Court to approve the Change in use portion of said land for the purpose stated herein pursuant to the provisions of Article 97 of the Amendments of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: This action will allow 0.34 acre at the tip-end of a parcel of 17.46 acres of conservation land to be transferred to the Water & Sewer Comm. for the location of a new pump station to boost water pressure in the Pinecrest and surrounding areas.

Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will accept the renumbering and revision of the various bylaws of the Town from their original numbering or their numbering in the Town Bylaws to the numbering or codification, arrangement, sequence and captions and the comprehensive revisions to the text of the Town Bylaws – excluding the Zoning Bylaw – as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Hopedale, dated 2002, copies of which are available at Town Hall and on the Town Website (hopedalemass.com), said codification having been done under the direction of the Bylaw Review Committee, Board of Selectmen,

Town Counsel and Town Coordinator, and said Code being a compilation and comprehensive revision of the present bylaws of the Town, excluding the Zoning Bylaws. All bylaws of a general and permanent nature, except the Zoning Bylaw, as amended, heretofore in force and not included in the Code shall be repealed, except that such repeal shall not affect any suit or proceeding pending as the result of an existing law, and such repeal shall not apply to or affect any bylaw, order or article heretofore adopted accepting or adopting the provisions of any statute of the commonwealth. These bylaws shall be referred to as the "Code of the Town of Hopedale, Massachusetts."

Commentary: This new Code culminates several years of effort to correct, update and flesh-out the old Town Bylaws. Three public hearings have been held over the past months. In addition to the reorganization, a listing of substantive changes made to the text of the Town Bylaws follows. [Style changes, such as printing "10" as "10" rather than as "ten (10)" are NOT listed.] References are to sections as renumbered in the new Code.

In § 1-2 the fine is raised from $200 to $300.
Article II of Ch. 9 is adopted to provide current Council on Aging membership and requirements.
Ch. 14 is readopted without substantive change; it appears to have been inadvertently excluded from the last bylaw compilation.
§ 49-5A is amended to raise the $3,000 limit for requiring competitive bids to $25,000 in order to match the current state law (MGL c. 30B, § 1 et seq.).
§ 57-1 is amended to delete "in March" following "annually."
Ch. 68 is amended throughout to revise references as follows:

- "Commission on the Handicapped" to read "Commission on Disabilities";
- "the handicapped" to read "persons with disabilities"; and
- the adjective "handicapped" to read "disabled."

§ 79-7 is added to comply with statutory wording re: submission of budgets.
§ 79-8 is added to reference Finance Committee duties found elsewhere in the Code.
§ 130-4 is amended to change the August 1 due date for reports to September 1; and to change the available date for the Annual Town Report from October 15 to December 31.
§ 137-1 is amended to reduce the membership from six to five and to replace the staggered appointment provisions with a statement that members will serve three-year terms.
§ 137-4 is amended to add the phrase "(i.e., nonunion, civil service, non-contract, non-School Department)."
§ 137-23A(1) and (3) are amended to add "or more" after "hours."
§ 137-24A(1) is amended to credit five days of vacation after six months of service, with an additional five days after the second six months.
§ 137-24A(2) is added to provide 10 days of vacation credited on the anniversary date for years two through four.
§ 137-24A is amended to add the following note: "Vacations accrue at the monthly rate consistent with the employee's service as delineated above."
§ 137-24B is amended to read "Vacations are to be taken within the 12 months following their being earned and credited."
In § 137-24C, the term "fiscal year" is revised to read "twelve-month period."
§ 137-24E is amended to add the following phrase: "subject to the rules above, except that should a person leave or retire in good standing, he/she shall be compensated for the accrued vacation time, either by leaving the position in advance of his/her last day so as to use all vacation days or, at the convenience of the Town, shall be compensated for vacation days remaining."

§ 137-27A(2) is added, to read as follows: "Employees that regularly work between 20 and 37.5 hours per week shall receive their max accumulation according to the formula. Example: a thirty-hour-per-week employee would be eligible to accumulate 30 divided by 37.5 times 120 equals 96 days' sick leave. Employees that are regularly scheduled for more than 37.5 hours per week shall not be eligible for any additional max sick leave accumulation."
§ 137-27C(2) is amended to read as follows: "If an employee uses all of his/her sick time, he/she shall then receive workers' compensation in accordance with state law."
§ 137-29A is amended to revise the term "salaried employee" to read "salaried exempt, salaried nonexempt, and hourly nonexempt" and to add the phrase "and/or for the convenience of the Town."
§ 137-29A(1) is amended to add the following wording: "; any excess must be taken off in that week or lost. Hourly employees will accrue credit at time and 1/2 times the extra hours work(analogous to overtime) for any time over 40 hours per week. Salaried exempt employees are not constrained by the foregoing limits."
§ 158-1 is amended to change the word "doings" to "actions" in the first sentence.
§ 158-2 is amended to change the August 1 due date for reports to September 1.
Subsection B is added to § 203-1 to provide for fees as set annually by the Board of Selectmen.
§ 203-3 is amended to add the following phrase to the beginning thereof: "In addition to the fines and provisions of Article II, False Alarms, of this Chapter 203, Alarm Systems."
Article II of Ch. 203 is adopted to provide false alarm provisions in the Town.
§ 207-2 is amended to replace the phrase "seven days from receipt of notice thereof" (which conflicts with the state requirements) with "the period of time as provided for under MGL c. 140, § 147A."
§ 207-4 is amended to revise the phrase "the said seven-day period" to read "the confinement period set forth in § 207-2."
§ 207-7B is amended to delete the phrase "No kennel license shall be issued in the town and" from the beginning thereof, since it conflicts with the Zoning Bylaw.
§ 224-1C is amended to change the phrase "shall be deemed to comply with this chapter by display of the present number" to read "shall be required to comply with the requirements of this section by January 1, 2003."
§ 264-7 is amended to raise the fine for criminal and non-criminal proceedings from $200 to $300, and to list the Health Agent as an enforcement officer.
Article I of Ch. 270 is amended throughout to provide the most up-to-date language to comply with amendments to the statute.
Ch. 293 is adopted to provide regulations for peddlers and hawkers in the Town.
§ 312-2 is amended to delete the first sentence, which read "The effective date of this bylaw shall be upon approval by the Attorney General."
§ 320-2 is amended to add Subsection B, to provide that the Road Commissioners have the final authority for naming streets in the Town.
Original Section 10 of Ch. VIII of the Town Bylaws, regarding congregating on the sidewalks or streets, was deleted per Town Counsel on the Attorney General's recommendation.
§ 320-15 is created from an unnumbered penalty paragraph which originally followed Section 14 of Ch. VIII of the Town Bylaws, in order to apply to the entirety of this bylaw.
Original Section 4 of Ch. IX of the Town Bylaws, regarding standing or loitering on the sidewalks or streets, was deleted per Town Counsel on the Attorney General's recommendation.

§ 320-25 is added to provide penalties for violations of the Streets and Sidewalks Public Conduct provisions.
§ 320-33 is amended to provide staggered fines for multiple offenses and to include the non-criminal complaint option.
§ 340-1 is amended to add the phrase "by any means."
§ 340-3 is amended to provide staggered fines for multiple offenses.
Submitted by: Bylaw Review Com. & Selectmen Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 17 – Groundwater Protection District by the following ~~deletions~~ and **additions:**
"Section 4: Establishment and Delineation of Groundwater Protection District
For the purposes of this district, there are hereby established within the Town certain groundwater protection areas, consisting of aquifers or recharge areas which are delineated on a map. ~~This map is at a scale of 1 inch to 1,000 feet and is entitled "Groundwater Protection District, Town of Hopedale," dated.~~ **This map is at a scale of 1 inch to 2083 feet, titled "Figure 3 Zone II Delineation Mill Street Wellfield and Green Street Well. Hopedale Water Department" dated June 2000 by Earth Tech Inc.**
Section 7 – Procedures for Issuance of Special Permit
"A. The Special Permit Authority under this bylaw shall be the Zoning Board of Appeals. Such special permit shall be granted if the SPGA determines, in conjunction with the Board of Health, the Conservation Commission, Department of Public Works and Planning Board that the intent of this bylaw, as well as its specific criteria are met. **Holders of special permits granted pursuant to this bylaw shall comply with all current regulations promulgated by the Board of Health with regard to groundwater protection. In case of inconsistency between these regulations and this bylaw, the provisions of the regulations shall govern.**
Commentary: According to the Department of Environmental Management, the current zoning bylaw requires modification. They also indicated that the Regulations of the BOH would supersede Town Bylaw. For clarity, this amendment references (rather than replicates) the BOH Groundwater Protection Regulations and incorporates the latest groundwater protection area map.
Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission and BOH Fin Com Rec:

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of GLc.32B, §18 that shall require that all retirees, their spouses and dependents who are enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost to a retiree, their spouse or dependents, or eligible for coverage thereunder at no cost to a retiree, their spouse or dependents, be required to enroll in a medicare health benefits supplement plan offered by the Town?, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Adopting this section is intended to result in savings in health insurance costs to the Town and its employees. Employees are eligible for Medicare Part A upon reaching age 65. Retirees 65 and over may elect to take Medicare Part B. If they do, then the Town-provided insurance becomes a supplemental plan, that when combined with Medicare Part B, is a comparable actuarial value to the original Town plan without Part B: the difference being that a portion of the cost of the plan is shifted to the government. That shift in coverage cost will allow for a savings in some of our insurance plans of 2 percentage points – an FY03 increase of 12.3% is reduced to a 10.3% increase. To effect this change, the Town will be obligated to pay any one-time premium penalty assessed by the federal government as a result of the initial Medicare Part B enrollment at the time of transfer into the Town's supplement health benefits plan.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen Fin Com Rec:

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the three public places in different parts of the Town not less than seven days before the holding of said meeting. Hereof fail not to make the due return of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 18th day of March 2002.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael A. Milanoski, Chm. Michael E. Collins Alan J. Ryan

A True Copy, ATTEST: Rondal L. Thannessian

Posted in the Town Hall, Community House, and Post Office Lobby.

Constable 03-19-02 Date

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MINUTES

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 9, 2002

ARTICLE 1: Fin/Com member Gene Phillips moved to transfer $223,618 from the following accounts to others to adjust the fiscal year 2002 operating budget.

To Account	Amount	From Account	Amount
Legal	$20,000	Unemployment Comp.	$20,000
Police Overtime	$13,000	Police Salaries	$13,000
Town Police Details	$3,000	Health Insurance	$3,000
Ambulance Temp.	$200	Amb. Receipts Reserved	$200
Ambulance Overtime	$3,800	Amb. Receipts Reserved	$3,800
BOH Refuse Collection	$47,000	Health Insurance	$47,000
Sewer Expansion BAN	$125,350	Overlay Surplus	$125,350
Town Hall Roof Repair Proj.	$1,268	Property & Casualty Ins.	$1,268
GASB 34 Account	$10,000	Property & Casualty Ins.	$10,000

Seconded and voted ayes unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2: Water & Sewer Commissioner Aldo Tarca moved to transfer the care, custody, maintenance and control of a portion, consisting of .34 acres as described in the accompanying plan, of the parcel of land described below, from the Conservation Commission to the Water & Sewer Commission for the purpose of installing, constructing, operating and maintaining a water booster pump station and appurtenant water facilities; said land is located on Moore Road in Hopedale and is described as parcel 3 in a deed recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds in Book 15009 Page 353; said portion to be transferred as shown on a plan labeled Special Town Meeting Warrant Article 2 Plan, dated 4/9/02, and further, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts General Court to approve the Change in use portion of said land for the purpose stated herein pursuant to the provisions of Article 97 of the Amendments of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Seconded. After many questions, an explanation from Aldo, a standing vote was taken. A 2/3 vote is necessary.

With 108 votes Yes and 35 votes no, the ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 3: Town Clerk Ronda I. Ohannesian moved that the Town accept the renumbering and revision of the various bylaws of the Town from their original numbering or their numbering in the Town Bylaws to the numbering or codification, arrangement, sequence and captions and the comprehen-sive revisions to the text of the Town Bylaws – excluding the Zoning Bylaw – as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Hopedale, dated 2002, copies of which were available at Town Hall and on the Town Website (hopedalemass.com), said codification having been done under the direction of the Bylaw Review Committee, Board of Selectmen, Town Counsel and Town Coordinator, and

said Code being a compilation and comprehensive revision of the present bylaws of the Town, excluding the Zoning Bylaws. All bylaws of a general and permanent nature, except the Zoning Bylaw, as amended, heretofore in force and not included in the Code shall be repealed, except that such repeal shall not affect any suit or proceeding pending as the result of an existing law, and such repeal shall not apply to or affect any bylaw, order or article heretofore adopted accepting or adopting the provisions of any statute of the commonwealth. These bylaws shall be referred to as the "Code of the Town of Hopedale, Massachusetts."

Seconded and voted unanimously yes as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 4: Christine Burke, Water & Sewer Commissioner, moved to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 17 – Groundwater Protection District by the following ~~deletions~~ and **additions:**
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Seconded. Christine gave a brief explanation. Moderator explained that the Planning Board should have met, held a hearing, and followed procedure.

A motion was made to pass over. Seconded. Voted ayes unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 5: Michael Milanoski, Selectman chair, moved to adopt the provisions of GLc.32B, §18 that shall require that all retirees, their spouses and dependents who are enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost to a retiree, their spouse or dependents, or eligible for coverage thereunder at no cost to a retiree, their spouse or dependents, be required to enroll in a medicare health benefits supplement plan offered by the Town.

Seconded and voted yes unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

Motion to adjourn Special Town Meeting to a date specific, May 7th.
Seconded and voted yes unanimously.

Special Town Meeting adjourned to May 7, 2002.

MINUTES

HOPEDALE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
HOPEDALE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 09, 2002
JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

The inhabitants of theTown of Hopedale qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in the Auditorium of the Jr./Sr. High School at 7:00PM. The Town Clerk opened the meeting as Moderator Larkin recused himself. A nomination for Bernie Stock as Moderator was made and seconded. Voted unanimously.

Moderator appointed counters and they were sworn in. A motion was made to dispense with reading of the Warrant. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Motion was made to give floor privileges to the following:

Town Coordinator	**Allan Klepper**
Chief of Police	**Gene Costanza**
Chief of Fire	**Scott Garland**
Superintendent	**Andrea Hallion**
Water Dept.	**Tim Watson**
Sewer Dept.	**Don Cooper**
Librarian	**Beth Hoffer**
Accountant	**Sharon Emmerick**
Treasurer	**Christine Goodwin**
BVT Superintendent	**Dr. Michael Fitzpatrick**

Seconded and voted unanimously.

Motion made to go directly to Special Town Meeting.
Seconded and voted yes unanimously.

Moderator asked for a motion to reconvene the Annual Town Meeting.
Motion seconded and voted. Ayes have it unanimously as declared by the Moderator.
Meeting is reconvened at 7:50 PM.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
RECONVENED
APRIL 9, 2002

ARTICLE 1: Mike Milanoski moved to hear and act upon the report of the Selectmen and other offices, departments, or committees of said town.

ARTICLE 2: Chair, Mike Milanoski moved to Pass Over this Article. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to GLc.41, §108 to fix the annual salary and compensation for each elected Town officer and further to see if the Town will vote to fix the annual compensation for special appointed officials for his/her service in fiscal year 2003 as follows:

Position	Total Compensation for Position(s)
Town Moderator (1)	$200
Board of Selectmen (3)	$6,500
Town Clerk (1)*	$22,292
Road Commissioners (3)	$2,200
Board of Health (3)	$1,850
Park Commissioners (3)	$1,600
Water/Sewer Commissioners (3)	$1,600
Tree Warden (1)	$1000
Planning Board (5)	$3,700
Board of Assessors (3) appt.	$4,100
Board of Registrars (3) appt.	$1,600
Clerk to Registrars (1)	$500
Zoning Board of Appeals (5) appt.	$1,300
Finance Committee (9) appt.	$950

* Town Clerk is paid weekly; all others twice per year.

The School Committee compensation for 5 totaling $5,500 is contained in the School Department Budget.

Motion seconded and voted. The ayes have it unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 3: Aldo Tarca, Chair of the Water & sewer move to raise and appropriate through assessments provided under GLc.83, §16, and to be collected under GLc.44, §53E, bond issue payments of $93,527 for the Sewer Department.

Motion seconded and voted. The ayes have it unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 4: Selectman Michael Collins moved, pursuant to Town Bylaw, Chapter XXII-B, The Personnel Administration Bylaw, to increase the Compensation Plan by 2.7%.

Motion seconded and voted. The ayes have it unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 5: Fin/Com Chair Don Comastra moved to transfer $33,934 from the Cable Access Revolving Account to the General Fund to defray Cable Access Committee operations for Fiscal Year 2003 as contained in the Finance Committee Budget Report.

Motion seconded. After a brief explanation by Don, the vote was taken. The ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6: Fin/Com Chair Don Comastra moved to Pass Over this Article. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available Treasury funds, such sums of money as deemed necessary to defray Town charges for Fiscal Year 2003 as contained in the Finance Committee Budget Report.

Motion seconded and after a brief explanation a vote was taken. Motion to Pass Over was unanimously voted as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 7: Fin/Com Chair Don Comastra **moved to Pass Over this Article.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of monies into the Reserve Fund.

Motion seconded and after a brief explanation a vote was taken. Motion to Pass Over was unanimously voted as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8: Fin/Com chair Don Comastra **moved to Pass Over this Article.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of monies into and/or out of the Stabilization Fund as provided under GLc.40, §5B.

Motion seconded and after a brief explanation a vote was taken. Motion to Pass Over was unanimously voted as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 9: Board of Health Chair, Peter Mitchell, moved to authorize the continued use of a revolving fund pursuant to GLc.44, §53E½ for the purpose of funding a hazardous waste collection day and recycling program to include composting and yard waste and other related costs, which fund shall be credited with receipts from the Board of Health to be expended under the authority of the Board of Health, such expenditures not to exceed $30,000 for the fiscal year 2003.

Motion seconded and a vote was taken. Unanimously passed as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 10: Board of Health Chair, Peter Mitchell, moved to authorize the continued use of a revolving fund pursuant to GLc.44, §53E½ for the purpose of funding the operating costs of the animal control division of the Hopedale Board of Health, which fund will be credited with receipts for the boarding of stray animals, fines for violations, and the licensing of animals, to be expended under the authority of the Board of Health, such expenditures not to exceed $10,000 for the fiscal year 2003.

Motion seconded and unanimously passed as declared by the moderator.

ARTICLE 11: Chair of Selectmen, Mike Milanoski, moved to authorize the Conservation Commission to spend without further appropriation in accordance with GLc.131, 40 certain sums as received in filing fees from prior fiscal years, for the fiscal year 2003.

Motion seconded and unanimously passed as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 12: William Marquis, Highway Commissioner, moved to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Chapter 90 State reimbursement funds for the purpose of providing road paving/improvement projects.

Motion seconded and unanimously passed as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 13: Water & Sewer Commissioner Christine Burke, moved to approve the transfer $57,900 from Water Retained Earnings to the Water Department operating budget.

Motion seconded and unanimously passed as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 14: Water & Sewer Commissioner Christine Burke moved that the Town appropriate the sum of $8,450,000 for the extension of sewer services and construction of a sewerage system and related work in the South Hopedale, Freedom Street, and Neck Hill Road areas as designated on a Plan drawn by Tata & Howard, entitled "Sewer System Map, Hopedale, MA." Dated July, 1998; and further to meet such appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of $8,450,000 in accordance with G.L. c.44, §7 or any other authority; and further to authorize the Water & Sewer Commission to assess betterments of 57.4% of the total cost of the project by the uniform unit method pursuant to G.L. c.83, §15, leaving 42.6% of the total cost of the project to be borne by the Town's taxpayers; and to authorize the Water & Sewer Commission and/or the Board of Selectmen to apply for any grants or loans available for the project. **2/3 vote required for passage**

Motion seconded. Both Christine and Don Comastra gave brief explanations.

Alan Ryan, representing the Board of Selectman gave an explanation for their position as opposed to this Article. Also, Don Comastra and Capital Planning board member Karla Hopkins, spoke to the same issue.

There was much discussion. Jack O'Connell of Tata & Howard gave an explanation.

After more discussion a Standing Vote was taken. The Article was defeated with the following votes: NO – 139; YES – 33

ARTICLE 15: Christine Burke moved to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation authorizing the apportionment of sewer betterment assessments for up to forty years to read as follows:
"AN ACT authorizing the Town of Hopedale to apportion sewer better assessments over a period of up to forty years and to charge interest thereon at a rate equal to the Town's borrowing rate.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and the authority of the same, as follows:
Section 1: Notwithstanding any Special or General Law to the contrary, the Town of Hopedale is hereby authorized to assess interest on apportionments of sewer betterment assessments at a rate equal to the rate of interest chargeable to the town for the betterment project to which the assessments relate, or at the rate set forth in GLc.80, §13, as chosen by the Water & Sewer Commission of the Town of Hopedale.
Section 2: Notwithstanding any Special or General Law to the contrary, the Board of Assessors of the Town of Hopedale shall apportion all assessments or unpaid balances of

betterment assessments made under GLc.80 for sewer projects into such number of equal annual portions, not more than forty, as is requested by the Water & Sewer Commission, and owners may not request a shorter period of time than requested by said Board of Water & Sewer Commission, provided that owners may pay the entire amount due at any time. Section 3: This act shall take effect upon its passage."

A motion was made to Pass Over this Article.

Seconded and voted unanimously to Pass Over.

A motion was made to <u>adjourn</u> Annual Town Meeting to May 7th 2002.

Motion seconded and unanimously passed.

GOOD NIGHT HOPEDALE UNTIL MAY 7TH.

HOPEDALE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
HOPEDALE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
CONTINUATION FROM APRIL 9, 2002

MAY 7, 2002

The inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in the auditorium of the JR/SR High School at 7:00PM. At 7:20PM the Moderator called the meeting to order and declared a quorum (50) present.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
RECONVENED

The first order of business is to dispense with reading of the Warrant. A motion was made and seconded. Voted unanimously to dispense with reading of Warrant.

ARTICLE 4: Dr. Jim Morin moved to pass over this Article in the absence of the Planning Board's recommendation, until the June 25, 2002 continuation of the STM. I move to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 17 – Groundwater Protection District by the following ~~deletions~~ and **additions:**
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Seconded and voted unanimously to Pass Over until June 25th.

Motion to adjourn Special Town Meeting until June 25th. Seconded as voted unanimously to adjourn.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 7, 2002

ARTICLE 2: Michael Milanoski, Chair – Selectmen, moved, pursuant to GLc.41, §108 to fix the annual salary and compensation for each elected Town officer and further to fix the annual compensation for special appointed officials for his/her service in fiscal year 2003 as follows:

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Finance Committee (9) appt.	$950

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The School Committee compensation for 5 totaling $5,500 is contained in the School Department Budget.

Seconded and voted unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6: Gene Phillips moved to raise and appropriate $14,138,900 and transfer $373,588 from Water Retained Earnings, $493,030 from Sewer Retained Earnings, $111,805 from Ambulance Receipts Reserved, and $33,934 from Special Revenue from to defray Town charges for Fiscal Year 2003 as contained in the Finance Committee Budget Report.

Seconded. Mr. Phillips continued with a line item reading. Holds were put on School Department, Blackstone Valley Reg. School Dist., Water & Sewer.

A vote was taken for non-hold items. Voted unanimously to pass, as declared by the Moderator.

Questions were taken and discussed for "hold" items. Don Comastra gave explanation on how 3% figure was decided. Andrea Hallion, Superintendent of Schools, spoke as to how the school budget will impact the students. $704,000 was been cut from the budget.

Voted Unanimously on School Committee budget as declared by the Moderator.

Dr. Fitzpatrick spoke to the budget for BVTSchool, and recommended the passage of the budget item.

Mike Milanoski recommends, on behalf of the Selectmen, to keep the budget as is.

Voted – Ayes have it on the amendment as declared by the Moderator.

Aldo Tarca, Water & Sewer Comm., spoke regarding the line item hold for Water & Sewer. Much discussion from Mr. Tarca, Allan Klepper, Town Coordinator, Tim Watson, Water Superintendent.

ARTICLE 7: Karla Hopkins, FinCom member, moved to raise and appropriate $20,000 from the Stabilization Fund into the Reserve Fund.

Seconded. Voted, unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8: Colleen Strapponi, Fin/Com member moved to transfer $439,060 from Stabilization Fund as provided under GLc.40, §5B to defray Town charges for Fiscal Year 2003 as contained in the Finance Committee Budget Report.

Seconded and voted. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

Motion made to dissolve the Annual Town Meeting. Seconded and voted to dissolve unanimously as declared by the Moderator.

GOOD NIGHT HOPEDALE!

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WARRANT FOR THE TOWN ELECTION
TOWN OF HOPEDALE
MAY 14TH, 2002

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Hopedale, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the George A. Draper Gymnasium on Dutcher Street, on Tuesday, May 14, 2002 at seven o'clock in the forenoon to vote for the following Town Officers:
The Polls will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 PM

Town Officers:

One Selectman	for 3 years
One School Committee Member	for 3 years
One Road Commissioner	for 3 years
One Board of Health Member	for 3 years
One Planning Board Member	for 5 years
One Planning Board Member	for 4 years
One Library Trustee	for 3 years
One Water & Sewer Comm.	for 3 years
One Park Commissioner	for 3 years
One Park Commissioner	for 2 years
One Tree Warden	for 3 years

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF HOPEDALE THIS 8TH DAY OF APRIL 2002:

Michael Milanoski	Alan Ryan	Michael Collins
Selectman	Selectman	Selectman

TRUE COPY ATTEST: **Ronda I. Ohannesian**

This notice shall be posted in three public places in the Town of Hopedale, one of which shall be the Town Hall, as required by the Town By-laws, and you shall make your return thereof to the Town Clerk.

I certify that I posted attested copies of the above warrant in the Hopedale Town Hall, Community House and Post Office as directed.

Date: 4-23-02 **Constable:**

TOWN OF HOPEDALE – SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Tuesday, June 25th, 2002 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening
in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School

Worcester SS: To the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in the County of Worcester.
Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Junior/Senior High School on Tuesday, June 25th, 2002, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

RECONVENED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF 4/9/02 TO 5/7/02 TO 6/25/02

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For the purposes of this district, there are hereby established within the Town certain groundwater protection areas, consisting of aquifers or recharge areas which are delineated on a map. ~~This map is at a scale of 1 inch to 1,000 feet and is entitled "Groundwater Protection District, Town of Hopedale," dated.~~ **This map is at a scale of 1 inch to 2083 feet, titled "Figure 3 Zone II Delineation Mill Street Wellfield and Green Street Well. Hopedale Water Department" dated June 2000 by Earth Tech Inc.**
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A. The Special Permit Granting Authority under this bylaw shall be the Zoning Board of Appeals. Such special permit shall be granted if the SPGA determines, in conjunction with the Board of Health, the Conservation Commission, Department of Public Works and Planning Board that the intent of this bylaw, as well as its specific criteria are met. **Holders of special permits granted pursuant to this bylaw shall comply with all current regulations promulgated by the Board of Health with regard to groundwater protection. In case of inconsistency between these regulations and this bylaw, the provisions of the regulations shall govern.**"
Commentary: According to the Department of Environmental Management, the current zoning bylaw requires modification. They also indicated that the Regulations of the BOH would supersede Town Bylaw. For clarity, this amendment references (rather than replicates) the BOH Groundwater Protection Regulations and incorporates the latest groundwater protection area map. Bylaw-required Planning Board recommendation to be available at the meeting.
Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission and BOH **Fin Com Rec:**
Planning Board Hearing Recommendation: Favorable

NEW SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer sums of money from certain accounts to others to adjust the fiscal year 2002 operating budget, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: Potential sources and uses of funds are listed: estimated $41,286 in transfers. Final motion details to be determined: actual transfers will be specific as to sources and uses.

From Account	*Amount*	*To Account*	*Amount*
Assessors expense	*$503*	*Assessors salaries*	*$503*
Liability insurance	*$5,000*	*Legal*	*$5,000*
Police Salaries	*$4,000*	*Police dispatch*	*$4,,000*
Fire salaries	*$7,000*	*Fire overtime*	*$7,000*
Fire temp. salaries	*$1,000*	*Fire overtime*	*$1,000*

Fire temp. salaries	*$1,500*	*Fire expense*	*$1,500*
Streetlights	*$2,500*	*Town police detail*	*$2,500*
Ambulance duty shift	*$905*	*Ambulance salaries*	*$905*
Ambulance retainers	*$2,500*	*Ambulance temp. salaries*	*$2,500*
Ambulance retainers	*$1,000*	*Ambulance expense*	*$1,000*
Highway overtime	*$378*	*Snow & ice removal*	*$378*
Health & life	*$15,000*	*Medicare*	*$15,000*

Submitted by: Finance Committee **Fin. Com. Rec:**

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the fiscal year 2003 Water Department budget line salary, wages and overtime by $4,502 to total $142,708 and reduce the Sewer Department budget line salary, wages and overtime by $3,872 to total $145,623, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: In light of the state aid fiscal constraints that affected all other municipal and school budgets for FY03, reducing the Water & Sewer wage lines will limit staff increases to the original 3% that was recommended and approved for all other non-union employees.
Submitted by: Board of Selectmen **Fin. Com. Rec:**

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to increase the Personnel Committee budget line operation costs by $750 to total $1,000, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: The addition to the Personnel Committee will provide funding for a consultant to assist them in preparing recommendations for a plan by which employees progress through their respective Compensation Ranges.
Submitted by: Board of Selectmen **Fin. Com. Rec:**

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer $124,300 from the Stabilization Fund to effect emergency repairs to the Town Hall gutters, roof flashing, masonry, and dormers, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: After the flat roof replacement and mansard slate repairs were completed, the requirement for this additional effort became evident – the integrity of the structure must be restored to prevent further deterioration. A ten percent contingency has been included in consideration of the age and historical significance of the structure. Funds are to be restored to the Stabilization Fund in the fall once Free Cash is certified.
Submitted by: Board of Selectmen **Fin. Com. Rec:**

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the fiscal year 2003 Long term debt interest budget line by $51,624 to total $938,637, or take any other action related thereto.
Commentary: A computational error was discovered: a debt reduction payment was counted twice.
Submitted by: Board of Selectmen **Fin. Com. Rec:**

ARTICLE 6: Pursuant to clarification of FY03 State Aid (if known by meeting date), to see if the Town will vote to distribute any increases in aid into Stabilization Fund, Reserve Fund or Budget lines, or take any other action related thereto:
Commentary: The opportunity to restore the Blackstone Valley Voc Tech budget to the original requested amount would be considered within this article.
Submitted by: Finance Committee **Fin. Com. Rec**:

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Hopedale Town Code (formerly known as Town Bylaws), Chapter 359 WATER CONSERVATION, §359-5. Restricted water uses; by the following ~~deletions~~ and **additions:**
"A declaration of a state of water supply conservation shall include one or more ~~of the following~~ restrictions, conditions, or requirements limiting use of water as necessary to protect the water supply.

The applicable restrictions, conditions or requirements shall be included in the public notice required under §359-6. **Such restrictions, conditions or requirements may include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following measures or any portion or combination thereof reasonably determined to address existing conditions of the town water supply and needs of the public.**

A. Odd/even day outdoor watering. Outdoor watering by water users with odd-numbered addresses is restricted to odd-numbered days. Outdoor watering by water users with even-numbered addresses is restricted to even-numbered days.
B. Outdoor watering ban. Outdoor watering is prohibited.
C. Outdoor watering hours. Outdoor watering is permitted only for a period not to exceed two hours per user or consumer per day and only during the period from 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.
D. Filling swimming pools. Filling of swimming pools is prohibited.
E. Automatic sprinkler use. The use of automatic sprinkler systems is prohibited."

...or take any other action related thereto.

Commentary: The existing code, while comprehensive, precludes the Commission from applying only those kinds and degrees of restrictions necessary to react to current water shortages in a timely fashion. Flexibility is desirable and appropriate and will minimize water restriction impact to the public.

Submitted by: Water & Sewer Commission **Fin. Com. Rec:**

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the three public places in different parts of the Town not less than fourteen days before the holding of said meeting. Hereof fail not to make the due return of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 10th day of June 2002.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael E. Collins, Chm. Michael A. Milanoski Alan J. Ryan

A True Copy, ATTEST:

Posted in the Town Hall, Community House, and Post Office Lobby.

Lt. James Gardner #8 Constable

06/10/02 Date

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HOPEDALE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
RECONVENED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF 4/9/02 TO 5/7/02 TO 6/25/02

The inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in the auditorium of the JR/SR High School at 7:00 PM. At 7:55 the Moderator called the meeting to order and declared a quorum (50) present.

The first order of business is to dispense with reading of the Warrant. A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to dispense with reading of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 4: I move to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 17 – Groundwater Protection District by the ~~deletions~~ and **additions** as contained in the Warrant
"Section 4: Establishment and Delineation of Groundwater Protection District
For the purposes of this district, there are hereby established within the Town certain groundwater protection areas, consisting of aquifers or recharge areas which are delineated on a map. ~~This map is at a scale of 1 inch to 1,000 feet and is entitled "Groundwater Protection District, Town of Hopedale," dated.~~ **This map is at a scale of 1 inch to 2083 feet, titled "Figure 3 Zone II Delineation Mill Street Wellfield and Green Street Well. Hopedale Water Department" dated June 2000 by Earth Tech Inc.**
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Motion seconded and voted unanimously to pass, as declared by the Moderator.

A motion was made to dissolve the Special Town Meeting. Seconded, voted unanimously to dissolve the Continued Special Town Meeting.

NEW SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Meeting called to order with a quorum being present as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 1: Don Comastra, FinCom Chair moved to transfer a total of $43,261 from certain accounts to others to adjust the fiscal year 2002 operating budget as follows:

From Account	Amount	To Account	Amount
Assessors expense	$503	Assessors salaries	$503
Liability insurance	$3,075	Legal	$1,500
		COA Salaries	$1,575
Police Salaries	$6,000	Police dispatch	$5,000
		Police overtime	$1,000

Fire salaries	$7,000	Fire overtime	$7,000
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Streetlights	$2,500	Town police detail	$2,500
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Highway overtime	$378	Snow & ice removal	$378
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Planning Board salaries	$200	Planning Board exp	$200
Park salaries	$1,700	Park expenses	$1,700

Motion seconded and voted to pass as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2: Mike Milanoski moved to reduce the fiscal year 2003 Water Department budget line salary, wages and overtime by $4,502 to total $142,708 and reduce the Sewer Department budget line salary, wages and overtime by $3,872 to total $145,623.

Motion seconded.

Don Comastra, Aldo Tarca, Tim Watson, Harry Murphy and Mike Collins all gave brief explanations on "why this was coming up after being voted on May 7th.

Motion for Secret Ballot. Seconded.

Board of Registrars passed out "yes/no" ballots. The result 28 Yes, 21 No.

ARTICLE 3: Mike Collins moved to increase the Personnel Committee budget line operation costs by $750 to total $1,000.

Seconded and voted. Ayes have it as declared by the Moderator.

Article 4: Mike Collins moved to transfer $124,300 from the Stabilization Fund to effect emergency repairs to the Town Hall gutters, roof flashing, masonry, and dormers.

Seconded. Allan Klepper, Town Coordinator gave a brief explanation. A vote was taken and unanimously passed.

ARTICLE 5: Mike Collins moved for the fiscal year 2003 long-term debt interest line, to reduce it by $29,075 and further transfer from it $17,452 to the Assessors' salary/wages and further transfer from it, $5097.00 to Blackstone Valley Tech School, and for the fiscal year 2003 Assessors' budget to transfer $1,800.00 from expenses to salary/wages.

Daryl Howell spoke and explained that the Assessors position is going from part-time to full-time.

Seconded. Vote taken and is unanimous as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 6: Mike Collins moved to pass over this Article.
(BVT budget restoration of $5097. Would have fit within this article.)

Seconded. Voted unanimously to Pass Over as declared by the Moderator

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D. Filling swimming pools. Filling of swimming pools is prohibited.

Automatic sprinkler use. The use of automatic sprinkler systems is prohibited."

Motion seconded and a vote taken – passed as declared by the Moderator.

Motion made to dissolve this meeting. Seconded and passed unanimously.

GOOD NIGHT HOPEDALE!

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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Board of Selectmen
Michael E. Collins, Chm
Michael A. Milanoski
Alan J. Ryan

Town Coordinator
Allan C. Klepper

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our Town Coordinator and all of our department heads and staff for their untiring service and dedication, which enables us to keep Hopedale functioning and flourishing. We also thank all other elected and appointed commissions, officials, volunteers for their cooperation and service on boards and committees. We appreciate the patience and support shown by their family members, so they can be able to do this work for the town of Hopedale.

With the state budget uncertainty and diminished local aid, early this year the Selectmen and the Finance Committee asked and received cooperation from all departments to reduce budgets wherever possible and to do so without interrupting or jeopardizing services. We will continue our budget efforts and ask that everyone keep this spirit of fiscal awareness and cooperation as we face significant challenges ahead.

This year we rededicated the Hopedale Jr.- Sr. High School, after completion of the renovation and the addition. Our heartfelt thanks are extended to the School Building Committee: David Pantano, Chairman, and members Edward Burke, Ed Burt, Linda Caulkins, Grace Dorsey, Justine Tonelli, Jessica LeMarbre, Elizabeth Lerner, Debra Madden, Richard Martin, and Howard Maurer, and to the School Committee, teachers, staff and all the students for their patience as the school was transformed into a state-of the art educational facility for generations to come. A Job Well Done!

We are also very proud to announce that Hopedale is now on the National Register as a Historic District, due to the hard-working efforts of Chairperson Merrily Sparling and the Historical Commission. Hopedale is one of the largest contiguous historical districts in the state containing more than 500 individual properties.

Special thanks must be given to our Fire Chief Scott Garland and all of his personnel for their cooperation and uninterrupted service while we continue the Fire Station renovation. The Fire department has been operating from several temporary sites and the coordination and performance of these moves have been very successful and could not have been accomplished without the generous support of the Road Commission and Highway Department.

Police Chief Costanza and his personnel are also to be commended for their cooperation and service in police & security matters, especially, during this stressful year.

Our recycling center has been relocated to the rear of the wastewater treatment plant due to the efforts of The Board of Health. A posting of specific articles that may be brought to the center can be obtained at Town Hall.

This past spring, our Personnel Study Committee was rejuvenated and charged to develop a Compensation Plan Range Progression Process for municipal employees.

The Board appreciates the continued support of the community and anticipates even more progress in the coming year.

Respectfully,

Michael Milanoski — Michael E. Collins, Chm. — Alan J. Ryan

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Board of Selectmen

Ronda Ohannesian
Town Clerk

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TO THE RESIDENTS OF HOPEDALE:

This is the yearly report from the Town Clerk's office and the Board of Registrars.

<u>Town Clerk</u>

The fiscal year 2002 was quiet in terms of election business. We had our annual May Town Election and our Town Meetings whose warrants and minutes are included in this Annual Report.

The calendar year vitals are as follows:

...births – 78
...deaths – 82
...marriages – 26

Again, this office has been fortunate to participate in the Sr. Citizen Tax Credit program. Without this program this office would not be able to function. The ladies who participate in my office go above and beyond their obligations by offering their services even after their hours are completed. Thank you to

Florence Ames Claire Turner Cynthia Zacchilli

The Conferences held by the Massachusetts Town Clerks' Association have been informative and timely. I have been able to attend the Spring and Fall conferences in Falmouth and Jiminy Peak.

I cannot write this report without offering thanks to our Selectmen and all the boards in Town who funnel information through this office. Allan Klepper, Town Coordinator, particularly with his vast municipal experience is as always a mentor.

The hours for the Town Clerk's office are:

Monday – Thursday	**9 – 2**
Monday evening	**6 – 8**
Friday	**Closed**

Of course when there are elections and town meetings, regular office hours are extended for election services.

In my fifth year as Town Clerk, I can say I am excited to service all voters and residents in Hopedale. I look forward to many more years as your Town Clerk.

Board of Registrars

The Board of Registrars are

Dottie Milanoski, Chair
Zeke Hammond
Joseph Drugan
Ronda Ohannesian

Meetings were held on a "as needed" basis. Zeke Hammond and Joe Drugan went to the High School in March to register 18-year old students.

The Board is responsible for the check-off voting lists at all Town Meetings. This year was interesting as the Fall November Special Town Meeting was adjourned to December, and the April 9th Annual Town Meeting & Special Town Meeting were also adjourned to May 7th and further to June 25th.

The Board represented by Dottie & Zeke stood before the voters at a Town Meeting to change the quorum by-law to 25 rather than 50. The Board felt that the Special Town Meetings have historically been difficult to call to order with the quorum of "50". The residents were quite vocal in this matter and the motion was defeated. We do expect residents who voted against this by-law amendment to show up and be counted for future Special Town Meetings.

The Annual Election saw few races and brought even fewer voters. It was a long day for our election workers. We look forward to 2002 State Primary and State Election, as well as the annual May Town Election.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Registrars

Ronda I. Ohannesian

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Sharon E. Emerick

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

The Board of Selectmen and
Residents of Hopedale

The following report reflects the financial condition of the Town of Hopedale as of June 30, 2002 and for the year then ended. The financial statements include the combined balance sheet and combined statement of revenues and expenditures. The statements of general fund revenues and expenditures are presented budget to actual, for town meeting appropriations. I have also included a statement of revenues and expenditures for special revenue, capital projects and trust funds.

I would like to thank the various town departments for the cooperation and courtesy they have extended to me during the period covered by this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon E. Emerick

Sharon E. Emerick
Town Accountant

Town of Hopedale
Combined Balance Sheet
June 30, 2002

	General Fund (1)	Special Revenue (22-29)	Capital Projects (31-34)	Sewer Enterprise Fund (61)	Water Special Revenue Fund (20)	Trust & Agency Funds (81-89)	Long Term Debt Account Group (90)	Total
ASSETS								
Cash & Investments:								
Cash & Investments	1,751,455.92	1,449,808.52	144,756.82	319,359.03	249,513.32	1,884,319.43	-	5,799,213.04
Receivables:								
Personal Property	30,226.44							30,226.44
Real Estate	151,705.62							151,705.62
Tax Liens	168,501.20							168,501.20
Deferred Property	8,699.27							8,699.27
Tax Foreclosures	41,966.93							41,966.93
Motor Vehicle Excise	100,034.63							100,034.63
Total Tax and Excise	501,134.09	-	-	-	-	-	-	501,134.09
User Charges				30,800.65	14,934.77			45,735.42
Other Service				-	1,630.18			1,630.18
Special Assessments				1,491,709.94	2,473.06			1,494,183.00
Total User Charges and Assessments	-	-	-	1,522,510.59	19,038.01	-	-	1,541,548.60
Total Receivables	501,134.09	-	-	1,522,510.59	19,038.01	-	-	2,042,682.69
Due from Commonwealth		44,161.67						44,161.67
Amounts To Be Provided:								
Bonds Authorized							1,400,000.00	1,400,000.00
Bonds Authorized and Unissued							(1,400,000.00)	(1,400,000.00)
Amounts to be Provided for BANS			125,350.00					125,350.00
Amounts to be Provided for Bonds							19,798,025.00	19,798,025.00
	-	-	125,350.00	-	-	-	19,798,025.00	19,923,375.00
TOTAL ASSETS	2,252,590.01	1,493,970.19	270,106.82	1,841,869.62	268,551.33	1,884,319.43	19,798,025.00	27,809,432.40

Town of Hopedale
Combined Balance Sheet
June 30, 2002

	General Fund (1)	Other Special Revenue (22-29)	Capital Projects (31-34)	Sewer Enterprise Fund (61)	Water Special Revenue Fund (20)	Trust & Agency Funds (81-89)	Long Term Debt Account Group (90)	Total
LIABILITIES								
Warrants Payable	318,833.79	45,676.53		43,236.70	33,413.91	469.56		441,630.49
Withholdings	129,807.85							129,807.85
Provision for Abatements/Expemptions	201,921.58							201,921.58
Agency Accounts						17,075.23		17,075.23
Tailings	8,975.76							8,975.76
Deferred Revenue:								
Property Taxes	(19,989.52)							(19,989.52)
Tax Liens	168,501.20							168,501.20
Deferred Taxes	8,699.27							8,699.27
Tax Foreclosures	41,966.93							41,966.93
Motor Vehicle	100,034.63							100,034.63
Water & Sewer				1,522,510.59	19,038.01			1,541,548.60
Intergovernmental		44,161.67						44,161.67
	299,212.51	44,161.67	-	1,522,510.59	19,038.01	-	-	1,884,922.78
Bond Anticipation Notes			125,350.00					125,350.00
Bond Payable:								
Sewer Plant							958,025.00	958,025.00
High School Building							13,720,000.00	13,720,000.00
Memorial School Building							5,120,000.00	5,120,000.00
	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,798,025.00	19,798,025.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	958,751.49	89,838.20	125,350.00	1,565,747.29	52,451.92	17,544.79	19,798,025.00	22,607,708.69

Town of Hopedale
Combined Balance Sheet
June 30, 2002

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FUND BALANCE								
Reserved Fund Balance:								
Reserved for Other Purposes	9,650.00			-				9,650.00
Reserved for Encumbrances	165,913.45				3,200.00			169,113.45
Reserved for Carryovers	447,418.03			78,772.07	29,102.72			555,292.82
Reserved for Other Expenses	(4,073.70)							(4,073.70)
Reserved for Petty Cash	220.00							220.00
	619,127.78	-	-	78,772.07	32,302.72	-	-	730,202.57
Designated Fund Balance		1,404,131.99	144,756.82			1,866,774.64		3,415,663.45
Unreserved Fund Balance	674,710.74	-	-	197,350.26	183,796.69	-	-	1,055,857.69
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	1,293,838.52	1,404,131.99	144,756.82	276,122.33	216,099.41	1,866,774.64	-	5,201,723.71
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	2,252,590.01	1,493,970.19	270,106.82	1,841,869.62	268,551.33	1,884,319.43	19,798,025.00	27,809,432.40

Town of Hopedale
Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2002

	General Fund (1)	Other Special Revenue (22-29)	Capital Projects (31-34)	Sewer Enterprise Fund (61)	Water Special Revenue Fund (20)	Trust & Agency Funds (81-89)	Long Term Debt Account Group (90)	Total
REVENUE								
Taxes:								
Personal Property	183,593.74							183,593.74
Real Estate	6,162,684.29							6,162,684.29
Tax Liens Redeemed	76,833.54							76,833.54
Motor Vehicle Excise	684,229.88							684,229.88
Penalties & Interest	69,687.47							69,687.47
Total Taxes	7,177,028.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,177,028.92
User Charges:								
Water					439,816.43			439,816.43
Sewer				418,621.23				418,621.23
Assessments				87,438.01	61,662.94			149,100.95
Total User Charges	-	-	-	506,059.24	501,479.37	-	-	1,007,538.61
State Aid	7,010,212.80	152,622.77						7,162,835.57
Other Special Revenue		1,661,067.07				8,636.50		1,669,703.57
Other Local Receipts:								
Charges for Services	53,059.60	148,322.98	-	-	31,978.02	-	-	233,360.60
Licenses & Permits	152,763.20			250.00				153,013.20
Fines & Forfeits	23,237.35							23,237.35
Interest	107,925.79			5,916.51		49,498.70		163,341.00
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	255,860.47							255,860.47
	592,846.41	148,322.98	-	6,166.51	31,978.02	49,498.70	-	828,812.62
TOTAL REVENUE	14,780,088.13	1,962,012.82	-	512,225.75	533,457.39	58,135.20	-	17,845,919.29

Town of Hopedale
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June 30, 2002

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EXPENDITURES								
Expenditures:								
General Government	1,249,642.12	10,945.00				125.00		1,260,712.12
Police	763,900.08	37,209.58						801,109.66
Fire	399,518.29	3,847.22						403,365.51
Ambulance	77,675.00							77,675.00
Inspectors	23,369.18							23,369.18
Forestry	9,880.00							9,880.00
Other Public Safety	18,358.91	2,079.67						20,438.58
Education	7,547,335.47	1,401,741.15	2,278,402.39					11,227,479.01
Highway	376,559.33	52,178.40						428,737.73
Sewer			10,222.36	381,890.36				392,112.72
Water					427,500.29			427,500.29
Other Public Works	32,988.45	400.00						33,388.45
Board of Health	360,794.36	8,633.03						369,427.39
Council on Aging	50,185.29	5,415.00						55,600.29
Veterans	6,740.30							6,740.30
Library	175,271.36	1,006.78				14.25		176,292.39
Parks	64,219.03	1,790.95				2,000.00		68,009.98
Council on Arts	3,800.00	575.00						4,375.00
Other Culture and Recreation	6,459.45							6,459.45
Debt Service	2,360,087.63			95,807.50				2,455,895.13
State and County Charges	870,070.88							870,070.88
Employee Benefits	1,091,133.63	12,355.42						1,103,489.05
Total Expenditures	15,487,988.76	1,538,177.20	2,288,624.75	477,697.86	427,500.29	2,139.25	-	20,222,128.11
Excess (deficiency) of Revenue Over Expenditures	(707,900.63)	423,835.62	(2,288,624.75)	34,527.89	105,957.10	55,995.95	-	(2,376,208.82)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Other Financing Sources	586,284.00		250,700.00			600,000.00		1,436,984.00
Other Financing Uses	(725,350.00)	(104,607.00)	(250,700.00)			(481,677.00)		(1,562,334.00)
	(139,066.00)	(104,607.00)	-	-	-	118,323.00	-	(125,350.00)
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(846,966.63)	319,228.62	(2,288,624.75)	34,527.89	105,957.10	174,318.95	-	(2,501,558.82)

Town of Hopedale
Statement of General Fund Revenues
June 30, 2002

	Budget	Actual	Over/(Under)
Property Taxes - Net	6,238,238.00	6,346,278.03	108,040.03
Tax Title	0.00	94,097.64	94,097.64
Motor Vehicle	623,000.00	684,229.88	61,229.88
Penalties & Interest	37,000.00	52,423.37	15,423.37
Fees	23,000.00	20,952.45	(2,047.55)
Rentals	40,000.00	32,107.15	(7,892.85)
Library Fees	100.00	515.85	415.85
Other Dept. Revenue	40,000.00	270,986.89	230,986.89
Licenses & Permits	70,000.00	152,763.20	82,763.20
Fines & Forfeits	30,000.00	22,721.50	(7,278.50)
Investment Income	150,000.00	107,925.79	(42,074.21)
Cherry Sheet	7,002,393.00	6,995,086.38	(7,306.62)
	14,253,731.00	14,780,088.13	526,357.13
Transfer from Special Revenue	104,607.00	104,607.00	0.00
Transfer from Stabilization	481,677.00	481,677.00	0.00
	586,284.00	586,284.00	0.00
Voted from Free Cash	551,063.00	551,063.00	0.00
Encumbered from FY01	1,306,504.18	1,306,504.18	0.00
Voted from Overlay Surplus	125,350.00	125,350.00	0.00
	1,982,917.18	1,982,917.18	0.00
	16,822,932.18	17,349,289.31	526,357.13

Town of Hopedale
Statement of General Fund Expenditures
June 30, 2002

	Budget	Expended	Encumbered	Unexpended
Town Moderator	250.00	200.00		50.00
Selectmen	10,900.00	10,830.26		69.74
Manager	104,927.00	98,676.63		6,250.37
Finance Committee	9,949.49	1,375.00	250.00	8,324.49
Accountant	64,115.00	61,483.13		2,631.87
Assessors	66,668.54	60,845.87		5,822.67
Treasurer/Collector	130,021.00	120,499.19	325.98	9,195.83
Capital Improvement	1,152,975.02	739,714.90	404,008.72	9,251.40
Legal	53,005.51	49,487.91		3,517.60
Personnel Committee	0.00	0.00		0.00
Cable Advisory Committee	52,800.00	20,852.59	23,000.00	8,947.41
Tax Title	6,500.00	1,134.53		5,365.47
Town Clerk	33,548.00	29,866.57		3,681.43
Parking Clerk	1,100.00	221.92		878.08
Conservation	500.00	257.49		242.51
Planning Board	7,012.50	4,964.18	700.00	1,348.32
Zoning Board	2,050.00	1,751.98		298.02
Industrial Development	200.00	0.00		200.00
Computer System	25,450.00	15,450.00	10,000.00	0.00
Town Hall	33,960.00	32,029.97		1,930.03
Police Department	803,410.66	763,900.08	3,273.94	36,236.64
Fire Department	416,281.12	399,518.29	32.50	16,730.33
Town Detail	11,500.00	10,679.38		820.62
Ambulance	81,606.00	77,675.00	3,931.00	0.00
Inspectors	25,195.00	23,369.18	120.00	1,705.82
Civil Defense	1,197.00	1,196.41		0.59
Dog Officer	6,800.00	6,483.12		316.88
Tree Warden	12,650.00	9,880.00		2,770.00
School Department	8,158,699.62	8,147,335.47	163,481.62	-152,117.47
Highway Department	326,215.11	322,181.69		4,033.42
Highway Snow & Ice	54,378.00	54,377.64		0.36
Street Lighting	30,500.00	30,500.00		0.00
Cemetery	2,500.00	2,488.45		11.55
Board of Health	364,157.00	360,794.36		3,362.64
Council on Aging	50,892.88	50,185.29	707.35	0.24
Veterans	7,960.00	6,740.30		1,219.70
Commission on Disabilities	200.00	0.00		200.00
Library	178,213.00	175,271.36	1,176.94	1,764.70
Parks	64,317.27	64,219.03		98.24
Historical Committee	7,018.86	5,911.43	1,107.43	0.00
Memorial Day	1,000.00	231.13		768.87
Red Shop	1,250.00	316.89		933.11
Council on Arts	3,800.00	3,800.00		0.00
Debt	2,363,897.00	2,360,087.63		3,809.37
State Assessments	455,445.00	492,789.00		-37,344.00
County Assessments	235,796.00	228,376.00		7,420.00
Other Assessments	148,906.00	148,905.88		0.12
Employee Benefits	1,127,184.00	1,090,453.03	1,216.00	35,514.97
Other Expenses	680.60	680.60		0.00
	16,697,582.18	16,087,988.76	613,331.48	-3,738.06
Transfer from Commonwealth *			152,209.00	152,209.00
Transfer to Capital Projects	125,350.00	125,350.00		0.00
	16,822,932.18	16,213,338.76	765,540.48	148,470.94

* The State approved an additional $152,209 in CH70 school aid that could be spent by the school without further appropriation.

Town of Hopedale
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2002

	Balance June 30, 2001	Revenues	Expenditures	Balance June 30, 2002
Other Special Revenue				
Early Childhood SPED	1,566.60	12,311.00	13,852.24	25.36
SPED 94-142	4,180.77	150,554.00	152,166.43	2,568.34
Title VI	(1,026.00)	7,228.00	5,024.00	1,178.00
Teacher Training Math/Sience	53.12	3,565.00	2,553.12	1,065.00
Drug Free Schools	(2,280.36)	6,805.00	4,012.64	512.00
Academic Support	6,150.00	9,350.00	13,858.29	1,641.71
Class Size Grant	131.90	9,616.00	9,476.93	270.97
SPED Professional Development	3,721.00	11,464.00	12,275.30	2,909.70
MA Parent Involvement	253.12	5,000.00	4,929.96	323.16
Technical Literacy Grant	234.09	20,000.00	20,229.32	4.77
Character Education	1,717.00	0.00	1,717.00	0.00
Technical Literacy Consortium	0.00	29,225.00	22,986.99	6,238.01
Comprehensive Health	0.04	23,665.00	23,633.77	31.27
Safe Schools	386.05	1,900.00	1,534.67	751.38
Palms State LEA Grant	76.84	0.00	76.84	0.00
Early Intervention	2,815.87	11,300.00	13,649.09	466.78
K-5 Literacy Support	5,037.37	50,000.00	55,037.37	0.00
Kindergarten Transition	4,690.00	5,269.02	9,959.02	0.00
High School Improvement	0.00	3,200.00	1,787.69	1,412.31
School Lunch	13,019.42	181,598.71	186,429.77	8,188.36
School Athletics	8,283.06	21,346.97	27,630.03	2,000.00
School Tuition	12,346.41	49,814.00	25,159.15	37,001.26
School Rental Receipts	14,624.93	36,232.08	44,308.23	6,548.78
School Lost Books	1,806.31	70.50	0.00	1,876.81
Preschool	3,552.52	152,660.00	128,701.25	27,511.27
Day Care	54,901.40	140,941.06	141,316.36	54,526.10
Kindergarten	16,695.62	26,716.00	22,239.90	21,171.72
School Choice	650,142.46	679,098.00	447,497.94	881,742.52
School Music	7,040.23	8,188.75	2,867.45	12,361.53
Bill Francis Memorial	1,475.09	0.00	275.00	1,200.09
Hopedale Foundation	117.91	1,000.00	1,117.91	0.00
Blackstone Valley Grant	140.00	1,500.00	1,613.49	26.51
Milford National Charitable Donation	0.00	5,429.00	3,824.00	1,605.00
Subtotal School	811,852.77	1,665,047.09	1,401,741.15	1,075,158.71

Town of Hopedale
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2002

	Balance June 30, 2001	Revenues	Expenditures	Balance June 30, 2002
Other Special Revenue				
Equipement Block Grant	205.48	0.00	0.00	205.48
Community Policing	522.56	10,000.00	6,989.30	3,533.26
Federal Equitable Sharing	3,469.15	0.00	0.00	3,469.15
Cops In School Grant	0.00	0.00	11,349.80	(11,349.80)
Federal Vests	0.00	1,644.82	0.00	1,644.82
Council on Aging	369.00	5,165.00	5,415.00	119.00
Arts Lottery	4,873.97	3,300.00	575.00	7,598.97
Library Aid	9,357.56	7,786.36	791.56	16,352.36
Bryne Grant	0.00	1,250.00	600.00	650.00
DARE Grant	599.39	5,996.24	5,852.27	743.36
Safe Fire Grant	807.36	2,006.59	2,043.66	770.29
Compost Bin Grant	3,070.00	0.00	0.00	3,070.00
Sun Safe Grant	1,145.10	700.00	950.00	895.10
State for Vests	0.00	470.00		470.00
Fire Equipment Grant	25.56	0.00	25.56	0.00
Volunteer Fire Assistance	2,000.00	0.00	1,778.00	222.00
MA Historic Society Grant	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
Highway CH127 #38036	0.00	19,366.53	19,366.53	0.00
Highway CH127 #38437	0.00	0.00	32,811.87	(32,811.87)
Police Forfeiture	3,926.94	435.84	1,915.43	2,447.35
Tiffany Memorial	2,442.60	905.00	215.22	3,132.38
Conservation Commission	10,131.48	4,207.50	2,222.50	12,116.48
Recreation Revolving	1,285.16	3,474.00	1,790.95	2,968.21
Hazardous Waste Material	21,521.25	10,074.78	7,683.03	23,913.00
Animal Control	9,374.01	2,674.00	2,079.67	9,968.34
Town Cemetery	2,094.04	125.00	400.00	1,819.04
Cable Access	34,214.89	36,400.00	8,722.50	61,892.39
DARE Program/Gift	3,659.36	21,354.24	10,502.78	14,510.82
Hopedale Birthday Committee	1,469.73	0.00	0.00	1,469.73
Friends of Red Shop	1,110.27	0.00	0.00	1,110.27
Commission of Disability	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Worker Compensation	32,100.56	15,298.32	12,355.42	35,043.46
Marge Hattersly Memorial	375.99	25.00		400.99
Police Building Donation	429.28	0.00	0.00	429.28
Friends of Elders Donations	2,441.35	200.00	0.00	2,641.35
Insurance Reimbursement	3,994.36	0.00	0.00	3,994.36
Fire Department Donations	340.00	0.00	0.00	340.00
Ambulance Fees	115,594.20	133,706.51	104,607.00	144,693.71
Library Donations	0.00	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00
Subtotal Town	273,050.60	296,965.73	241,043.05	328,973.28
Total Special Revenue	1,084,903.37	1,962,012.82	1,642,784.20	1,404,131.99

Town of Hopedale
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2002

	Balance June 30, 2001	Revenues	Expenditures	Balance June 30, 2002
Capital Projects				
Sewer Expansion Project	36,292.91	250,700.00	260,922.36	26,070.55
Memorial School Building	841.89	0.00	0.00	841.89
High School Building	2,395,026.50	0.00	2,278,402.39	116,624.11
Police Station	1,220.27	0.00	0.00	1,220.27
Total Capital Projects	2,433,381.57	250,700.00	2,539,324.75	144,756.82
Trust Funds				
Daisy Dutcher	12,142.15	2,440.94	2,000.00	12,583.09
Draper Park	2,618.65	73.33	0.00	2,691.98
Library Trust	71,581.29	9,272.63	14.25	80,839.67
Town Cemetery	861.77	17.27	0.00	879.04
Playground	102.49	0.68	0.00	103.17
Stabilization	1,605,149.34	646,330.35	481,802.00	1,769,677.69
Total Trust Funds	1,692,455.69	658,135.20	483,816.25	1,866,774.64

REPORT OF THE TREASURER/TOWN COLLECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Hopedale:

The primary mission of the Office of the Treasurer/Town Collector is to act as the Chief Financial Officer of the Town by initiating temporary and permanent borrowing, investing, managing and disbursing town funds, receiving all revenues of the town, processing the school and town payrolls, and performing other statutory functions required by the state and federal laws. This department is responsible for the billing and collection of all real estate, motor vehicle excise, personal property taxes, sewer and water assessments and billings and all other monies committed to the department for collection. Additionally, the general offices falling under the responsibility of the Treasurer/Town Collector assists other town departments by distributing recycle bins to the taxpayers for the Board of Health, processing all building permits, electrical permits, gas permits and plumbing permits; and distributing and collecting fees for printed materials such as the residents lists, zoning bylaws, town bylaws and, most recently the "Images of America" book prepared by the Hopedale Historical Commission.

The Treasurer/Collector's office also generates revenues for the town over and above taxes and assessments and this means we help keep the tax rate down for the residents who are kind enough to support our efforts. In the past fiscal year, we produced 643 municipal liens certificates bringing in over $16,000; stepped up our collection efforts to bring in over $52,000 in demand and interest fees and successfully resolved several tax liens resulting in cash payments of $94,098. In total, we have contributed over $162,000 this year against a total operating budget of only $130,000.

I would like to thank the taxpayers of Hopedale for their continued diligence in paying their taxes and assessments in a timely fashion, to the Board of Selectmen and Town Coordinator for their continued support of my ideas, projects and efforts and to the other department heads who have joined me on many instances to resolve issues requiring interdepartmental efforts. Finally, but equally important, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and extend my sincere appreciation to Donna Lamphere, Carol Winters and Debra Mercer who make up the competent, professional and congenial staff of the general offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine M. Goodwin

Christine M. Goodwin
Treasurer/Town Collector

Fiscal Year 2002
Treasurer's Statement of Cash Flows

	Total Year
Beginning Cash Balance	**8,153,665.71**
Receivables Receipts	$8,105,730.65
Departmental Receipts	$1,852,763.70
Local Aid & Grants	$7,713,509.67
Interest and Investment Income	$163,710.62
Other Receipts	$125,350.00
Total Receipts	**$17,961,064.64**
Payroll Expenditures	($9,101,864.03)
Departmental Expenditures	($8,939,015.50)
Sub-Total - Operating Expenditures	**($18,040,879.53)**
High School Building Expenditures	($2,274,637.78)
Total Expenditures	**($20,315,517.31)**
Interfund Transfers In	$47,285,519.26
Interfund Transfers Out	($47,285,519.26)
Ending Balance	**$5,799,213.04**

Prepared by Christine Goodwin

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

TREASURER'S CASH BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2002

NON INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS:		
Cash in Office	$250.00	
		$250.00
INTEREST BEARING CHECKING ACCOUNTS		
Bank North (Sewer Enterprise Account)	$351,261.75	
Boston Safe - Vendor Account	$56.43	
Unibank - Major Deposits	$18,217.40	
Unibank - Payroll	$406.90	
		$369,942.48
LIQUID INVESTMENTS		
Eastern Bank	$145,216.51	
Boston Safe Deposit MM	$943,188.61	
Century Bank & Trust	$3,936.27	
Citizens MM	$112,200.90	
Fleet (Performance Bonds	$21,311.64	
Fleet MM	$50,430.26	
State Street	$1,975.67	
MMDT	$1,330,320.46	
Unibank MM	$689,479.43	
		$3,298,059.75
TERM INVESTMENTS		
Fleet (Library Fund)	$8,582.17	
Paine Webber General Investments	$146,515.17	
		$155,097.34
STABILIZATION		
Fleet	$133,553.95	
Paine Webber	$1,760,423.74	
		$1,893,977.69
TRUST FUNDS		
PAINE WEBBER	$81,885.78	
		$81,885.78
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS		**$5,799,213.04**

Debt Statement
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002

Long Term Debt	Outstanding July 1, 2001	New Debt Issued	Retirements	Outstanding June 30,2002	Interest Paid in FY02
High School	$14,485,000	$0	$765,000	$13,720,000	$804,742
Memorial School	$5,550,000	$0	$430,000	$5,120,000	$261,120
Sewer	$1,003,650	$0	$45,625	$958,025	$50,183
SUB-TOTAL	$21,038,650	$0	$1,240,625	$19,798,025	$1,116,045
Total Long Term Debt	$21,038,650	$0	$1,240,625	$19,798,025	$1,116,045

Short Term Debt	Outstanding July 1, 2001	New Debt Issued	Retirements	Outstanding June 30,2002	Interest Paid in FY02
Sewer	$250,700	$125,350	$250,700	$125,350	$8,725
Ambulance	$65,691	$0	$19,396	$46,295	$3,605
Total Short Term Debt	**$316,391**	**$125,350**	**$270,096**	**$171,645**	**$12,330**

Additional Debt Authorized but Unissued	Date of Vote	Article #	Amount Authorized	Issued or Retired	Balance Unissued June 30,2002
Water Main Replacements	4/10/01	5	$1,400,000	$0	$1,400,000
Fire Station Renovation	12/11/01	4	$1,934,000	$0	$1,934,000
Fire Pump Truck	12/11/01	6	$270,000	$0	$270,000
Total Authorized and Unissued Debt					**$3,604,000**

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR
Fiscal Year 2002

RECEIVABLES BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2002

REAL ESTATE TAXES		
Fiscal Year 2002	$127,848.96	
Fiscal Year 2001	$17,858.93	
Fiscal Year 2000	$0.00	
Prior Years	$5,997.73	
		$151,705.62
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES		
Fiscal Year 2002	$9,480.27	
Fiscal Year 2001	$1,568.22	
Fiscal 2000	$2,209.64	
Prior Years	$16,968.31	
		$30,226.44
TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS		$168,501.20
TAX DEFERRAL ACCOUNT		$0.00
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE		
Fiscal Year 2002	$23,761.05	
Fiscal Year 2001	$13,008.15	
Fiscal 2000	$6,702.84	
Prior Years	$56,508.53	
		$99,980.57
TOTAL OUTSTANDING RECEIVABLES		$450,413.83

Office of

BOARD OF HEALTH

Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747
(508) 634-2202

The Board of Health submits it's annual report of the year ending June 30, 2002.

Once again the Board of Health found itself inundated with a variety of requests and duties and the continued building boom added to an already heavy load.

The 3 member elected board; Peter Mitchell, Elizabeth A. Sales and Joanne E. Monique grants variances, holds hearings on non-compliance orders, and promulgates Board of Health Regulations and Policies. The board holds meetings on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The Board of Health's responsibilities continues to be all encompassing and ever-expanding.

It is our responsibility to enforce all public health regulations related to the State Sanitary Health Codes, State and Federal and enforce any local regulations promulgated by the Board of Health Members.

The main issues we deal with on a day to day basis include septic design and installations, housing complaints, trash and nuisance complaints, food establishment, odor and noise complaints and beach water quality. We also investigate rabies issues, asbestos concerns, West Nile Virus concerns and issue burial permits. The board also conducts Health Clinics in conjunction with the Visiting Nurses. We issue licenses for all installers, well permits, camp permits and answer other issues remotely connected to public health, issue Tobacco Licenses, and conducts compliance checks on establishments that sell tobacco products.

The board was faced with enforcing new regulations regarding Recreational Camps. They are soccer, baseball and all sport camps.

Once again the Board of Health sponsored the annual Flu Clinic which was conducted by the Visiting Nurses Association of the Greater Milford-Northbridge area. The Visiting Nurses did an outstanding job.

The State Court system overturned the prohibition on body art in Massachusetts. This board worked hard to promulgate regulations to regulate this new industry. We have had many inquiries. To this date the board has not issued any licenses.

The new Bathing Beach Regulations passed by the Department of Public Health once again effected our daily operations requiring sampling requirements from bi-weekly to weekly. Although the regulation was mandated by the state, no funds were made available to the various Boards of Health to assist with the increased testing.

The West Nile Virus came into play. This office became the center for collection and transfer of birds to the state lab in Jamaica Plain. We sent 14 birds into the lab, only 2 tested positive. The birds effected by the mosquito carrying the virus is the crow and the Blue Jay. Remember that

you cannot contract West Nile Virus from dead birds. Please notify this office if you find a dead bird.

In addition, the new state food code requires more lengthy inspections and certification of personnel to be food protection managers. Those establishments not having trained managers will not be able to obtain a permit to operate a food establishment. This includes schools, nursing homes and any establishments that prepare food, including mobile food trucks.

The Board of Health has received many grants in the past fiscal year. The Municipal Recycling Incentive Program has received over $7,500.00. The Town of Hopedale has collected 254 tons of MRIP designated recyclable materials in the phase. We have also received a CRT Grant, recycle charts, bins and other recyclable materials.

We have also received a Skin Cancer Grant for the third year. At the annual Board of Health recognition Day in the State House sponsored by the MABH, Health Agent Lenny Izzo was cited by Sen. Richard Moore for his outstanding work and dedication to the Town of Hopedale and his contributions to Public Health.

Joanne E. Monique and Elizabeth W. Sales attended courses and received advance certification from the Massachusetts Associate of Board of Health. Health Agent Leonard A. Izzo has been attending a variety of seminars on the continuing changes in Public Health.

With the attack on the World Trade Center on June 11, 2001 Mr. Izzo has been attending various training in chemical and biological events.

The Board of Health has been working on plans for over 3 years to open a recycling center. In May of 2002 the center located on Thwing Street was finally opened.

As you can see the Board of Health has to deal with a variety of complex issues. This office does it's ultimate to answer questions in a timely fashion, return calls quickly and respond to resident complaints in an appropriate time frame.

Everyone believes that his/her situation is of the ultimate importance but unfortunately we are forced to prioritize on a daily basis. This office has only one employee on a daily basis. I make every effort to do my best to answer all questions and resolve the problem and enforce the regulations we are empowered to administer.

Respectfully submitted:
Leonard I. Izzo
Health Agent

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

FISCAL YEAR 2002

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Hopedale, I hereby submit the report of the Building / Zoning Department for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002.

The Building /Zoning Department consists of: Building Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer, Michael Tusino (dept. head); Electrical Inspector, Albert Shimkus; Plumbing and Gas Inspector, John Balanca.

Being a part-time department poses a constant challenge to provide high-quality service to the public. This up and coming year will supply us with the same challenge considering the amount of residential and commercial construction that is already in progress.

The estimated cost of construction throughout town was $9, 830,120

The following is a breakdown of departmental activity:

Single Family Dwellings	34	Residential Additions	33
Residential Renovations	22	Tenant Fit Up	2
Decks	20	Sheds	20
In Ground Pools	9	Above Ground Pools	14
Roofing	14	Wood Stoves	4
Garages	3	Signs	0
Certificate of Inspection	13	Zoning Permits	1
Commercial Buildings	1	Commercial Addit./Ren.	4

Building Inspections:	397	Building Permits:	194	Permit Fees:	$70,912.46
Electrical Inspections:	313	Electrical Permits:	174	Permit Fees:	$13,340.00
Plumbing Inspections:	229	Plumbing Permits :	110	Permit Fees:	$8,735.00
Gas Inspections:	71	Gas Permits:	29	Permit Fees:	$1,532.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Tusino

Michael A. Tusino
Building Commissioner/
Zoning Enforcement Officer

Hopedale Cemetery Committee Annual Report

This past year was one of mixed accomplishments for the Hopedale Historic Cemetery.

The stonewall repair was begun and is about ¾ completed. We are confident that the contractor, Swift's Creative Landscape Inc. will have completed the project by year's end.

Due to cuts in the budget, the maintenance program in the Spring was halted for lack of funds. The committee was asked to cut its budget by 10%. We complied. The maintenance program is now back on track with the hiring of Mr. George Bushnell as the contractor for grounds maintenance of the cemetery. To date Mr. Bushnell has done an outstanding job.

The project to acquire three appropriate entrance gates for the cemetery is on going. We hope, as funds become available, to complete this important project.

Respectfully Submitted

Roberta F. Simmons, Chairperson

Roberta F. Simmons

HOPEDALE COUNCIL ON AGING

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Annual Report
July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002

The mission of the Council on Aging is to identify the needs of our older citizens. According to the 2000 census, Hopedale's elder population (1,082) comprises eighteen (18) percent of the town's total population (5,907). The Council works to meet the needs of this diverse group by providing opportunities for education, recreation and access to resources. The Council acts as a unified body, advocating for those issues that are important to older people.

Our core service programs are, local and out-of-town medical transportation, the delivery of meals through "The Meals on Wheels Program", enrollment in the federal Fuel Assistance program and the state's Prescription Advantage Pharmacy Plan. The Council on Aging is the gateway to the elder services network. We provide counseling and referral for an array of elder issues. Chief among them are, healthcare, Medicare, housing and elder caregiver support.

The Council on Aging has completed its first year of a shared "local" medical transportation project with the Milford Council on Aging. Milford has been a good partner for Hopedale. Access to a van is essential. Transportation services remain among the most critical of seniors' needs. We continue to address the issues of greater scheduling availability and overall cost. We are averaging sixteen (16) local trips per month. While this number may be seen as modest, the seniors who use the program have no other means of transit. Transit activity is simply difficult to predict. But, we believe the number of seniors who will need this service will grow as the baby boomers age. We also see a need to expand transportation services to enable us to bring individuals to the Sr. Center for socialization and congregate meals.

We regularly, provide seniors with monthly opportunities for social, cultural, medical and legal programs. Additionally, we have established a collaborative program with the Hopedale School System. The program gives senior citizens computer training and exposure to the state–of-art computer centers located in both the Elementary and the Jr./Sr. High School. The Council on Aging has developed strong relationships and joint programming with the Hopedale Schools, Fire and Police Departments, the Girl Scouts and Draper Place, a local Assisted Living Facility.

Over the past thirty years, Hopedale's Senior Center has been located in a single room gifted to the town by the non-profit Community House Foundation. The town has been fortunate to have this generous arrangement. The Council on Aging Board is quite appreciative and by no means wishes to jeopardize our relationship with the Community House. However, we have grown beyond our social and recreational roots. We are so much more than BINGO. Our single room with no differentiated office space is not optimal or adequate to handle the confidential and personal issues we deal with on a daily basis. Recently, the first floor was made "handicapped" accessible. However, the basement, which is used for large groups, weekly activities and meals, is not accessible to the disabled. In addition, while the Community House is very accommodating regarding the COA's use of the building, the Community House's own activity schedule takes precedence. For these reasons alone, the time has come to seriously consider a relocation of the Hopedale Senior Center.

I want to thank all the Council on Aging Board members for their support throughout the year. And a special thank you to all our wonderful volunteers. We eagerly welcome anyone who has a desire to volunteer his or her services.

The current Council on Aging Board Members are:

Chairwoman	Claudette Hughes
Vice Chairwoman	Pat Johnson
Secretary	Barbara Delphos
Members	
	Liz Bartolet
	Ed Holland
	Virginia Potty

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Mullen

Carole Mullen
Director

Hopedale Cultural Council

Annual Report for 2001-2002

The Massachusetts Cultural Council allocated $3,3000 for local aid to the arts, humanities and interpretative science. The local council received twenty three grant applications and awarded the following:

Applicant: Project Title	**Approved Amount**
LCC	
Blackstone Valley Heritage Homecoming: for a music performance.	$200
Bright Beginnings Center: for a multidisciplinary performance	$200
Claffin Hill Music Performance Fndn.: for a music performance	$500
Jeanne Kinney: for a multidisciplinary lecture	$200
Milford Performing Arts Center: for a theatre performance	$400
Parent Advisory Council on Education: for a theatre performance	$350
Thimble Pleasures Quilt Guild: for a craft project or activity	$100
LCO	
Hopedale Cultural Council: for a multidisciplinary fair or festival	$825
PASS	
Hopedale Friends of Music: for PASS tickets for students for the Boston Symphony	$420
Total Approved Grant Amount for Hopedale Cultural Council	$3,195
Administrative Funds	$105
Total	$3,300

The Cultural Council organized the Wednesday night summer band concerts. There were eight performances in the series; refreshments concessions were offered by local organizations.

The Annual Day in the Park festival was held on Saturday September 22nd 2001 at the Town Park. Live music and entertainment, adult fine art show and children's art show, craft booths, a one mile road race for children, games and food concessions provided fun for all ages.

A scholarship of $250 was awarded to a graduating Hopedale High School student class of 2001.

The council wishes to extend an invitation to members of the community who are interested in promoting our activities to join the council.

Respectfully Submitted
Dorothy Suszanska, Chairperson
August 30th 2002.

Ann LaBrode Vice Chair
Sally Decelles Secretary
Ann-Marie Lockwood Treasurer

Laura Manning
Wilma Manning
Virginia Larkin

Joanne Andreotti
Patty Samalis
Linda Bento-Rei
Stephen Rei

Hopedale Fire Department

Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2002

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Hopedale Fire Department hereby submits its Annual Report for the period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002. This report also includes fire and emergency medical service (EMS) responses as well as the activities of the fire prevention office that occurred during the calendar year of January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001.

Emergency Responses

Of the record setting 1199 emergency responses during calendar year 2001, 824 were medical related (68%) and 375 were fire and hazard related. Both categories set new ceilings for overall emergency call volume, specifically 38% over 2000 and nearly 75% over 1999. A total of 166 of this past years emergencies were the result of our department covering the Town of Mendon as a primary ambulance transport service. This coverage resulted in nearly $30,000 in revenue generation as well as helped to improve our relationship with an important mutual aid community. Structure fire response within Hopedale dropped by 26% from 19 to 14 property damage fires in which $121,975 was considered the dollar loss. Dollar loss dropped by over $400,000 for the year mainly due to the previous year loss at the Dutcher Street fire.

The town grieved the tragic loss of Mrs. Alegrine Reid during a single-family home fire at 1 Northrop Street in January 2001. Despite the efforts of the fire department Mrs. Reid could not be saved and we all lost a dear member of our community. This was the most significant response for fire damage and injury/death for the year that also saw two civilians and one firefighter injured from fire products.

The tragic events of September 11th followed by the east coast biohazard terrorism threat resulted in multiple "white powder" responses included two incidents that closed our police station/dispatch center for several hours and precipitated the response of the District 14 Hazardous Materials Response Team for chemical analysis of unknown substances received at the communications office. Suspicious package investigations continue to be a part of our regular responses and it is anticipated that they will continue as long as we are a nation at war. Our citizens are now faced with some of the same concerns that many of us lived through during the difficult years of the cold war and previously during the immediate fears following the attack on Pearl Harbor. Our duty is to provide a professional level of readiness for disaster and the fire service is our nations first line of defense. We are committed to providing that service at whatever cost and we will continue to ensure that the community is adequately equipped and prepared for natural or manmade disasters.

Personnel

Graduating in December 2000 from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, David McMorrow is now certified to the level of Firefighter I/II and has taken on the task of Training Officer for the

department. His skill sets being fine-tuned from academy training Mr. McMorrow has been well received by the members who appreciate his dedication to providing them with up-to-date training. Call Firefighters Daniel Lopez and James Huth have stepped up to fill the two vacancies on the full-time staff, one caused by the resignation of William Davis who joined the Northbridge Fire Department and the other caused by the establishment of a new 6th position funded at the Annual Town Meeting of April 2001. As the Department recently came under the Civil Service regulation the process for appointment to full-time position openings has bogged down in bureaucratic red tape, but the department sincerely appreciates and recognizes Lopez' and Huth's commitment to service.

Call Captain Robert Malnati Sr. and Call Firefighter Keith Beckvold retired during the past year. Their combined service of seventeen years was greatly appreciated and they will be surely missed by our staff. We are all greatly saddened by the death Mr. Beckvold that occurred during 2002 and we have dedicated ourselves to supporting his children.

Emergency Responses

EMS responses: 824 (44% increase over calendar year 2000)
Fire responses: 375 (26% increase over calendar year 2000)
Total Responses 2001: 1199 (38% over 2000)

Fire Prevention Office

Permits issued: 355 (342 in 2000, 297 in FY99)
Associated activities: 347 (310 in 2000, 303 in FY99)
>includes investigation of complaints, violations issued, fire drills conducted, fire alarm tests, building inspections, building plan reviews, fire safety classes, etc.

Fees Collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer FY2002

Fire Prevention Office: $ 4,903.00 ($ 4,145.00 in FY2001)
Hazardous Materials Incident Reimbursements: $ 0 (none billed)
Fire Incident Reimbursement: $ 0 (none billed)
Fire Alarm Service Fee Collected: $ 5,050.00 ($ 3,375.00 in FY2001)
Wellness Reimbursement: $ 1,700.00 (Comm. of Mass.)
Ambulance transportation receipts: $ 137,405.46 ($ 105,756.55 in FY2001)

Total Fees Turned Over to the Town: $ 149,058.46 ($ 114,385.01 in FY2001)

Ambulance Service ALS Expense and Billing Fee: $9,439.58
Ambulance Service Expense FY2001: $ 94,795.72 (includes 2nd lease payment for new ambulance)

Grants Received:

Fire Act 2001/FEMA: $19,800.00 (10% share Town of Hopedale) for Wellness & Fitness

Firefighter Safety & Equipment Grant/Comm. of Mass.: $20,819.00 for firefighting equipment

Rural Fire Protection/DEM: $2,000.00 for new forest fire truck equipment

Student Awareness of Fire Education/Comm. of Mass.: $2,006.59 for fire prevention supplies and presentations

Total Grant Awards calendar year 2001: $44,625.59

Fire Station Renovation and Addition Project Approved

Town meeting members at the December 13, 2001 Special Town Meeting accepted the proposal to renovate the 1914 fire station and add two new bays to the building at a cost of $1,934,000. This Phase II project will modernize the facility and provide better working conditions for the employees. It will provide a new handicap accessible training room, emergency operations center, and permit/plan room. Improved air quality, facilities to decontaminate and clean equipment, as well as a new kitchen, bathrooms, and offices will be included. Asec Corporation of Cambridge has been chosen as the architectural firm handling the project construction plans that are expected to be ready for the Fall of 2002. Construction of the Phase II project should take place early in 2003.

Completion of Phase I was accomplished during the Spring of 2002 in which a new apparatus floor was installed with heavily reinforced 10" concrete floor and beams as well as a new oil/water separator and drain lines, a new roof, and removal of asbestos within the building. We would like to thank the residents who assisted us on the fire station study committee including Alan Ryan, Brian Main, and Kenneth Mossman. At present our business office and bunk rooms are located at 70B Hopedale Street in the Hopedale Police Station.

Phase III of the municipal fire alarm system upgrade was completed to include replacement of all open construction wire in South Hopedale. This has resulted in a reliable "closed" system that rarely experiences false alarms. We have also succeeded in collecting a significant amount of revenues from users that have offset the cost of the upgrade and saved the town thousands of dollars in needed repairs. As the municipal buildings are part of this system the town receives user fees supported maintenance upkeep without negatively impacting the financial condition of the community.

Our capital plan continues to be supported by the taxpayers with the approval of a new pumper fire engine at the Special Town Meeting in December 2001. The new pumper has been ordered and should be placed in service during the fall of 2002. The four-year lease purchase of this vehicle should offset the cost impact of this capital expensive equipment item. Placed in service

this past year was a 2001 Ford/Wheeled Coach Class I, Type III modular ambulance equipped with automatic snow chains. This vehicle replaces the 1986 ambulance purchased from the Town of Upton in 1998. The new ambulance is being completely paid for with the revenue generated from the fee based ambulance service with no impact on taxpayers. In addition, during the year we placed in service the first new forest fire truck, a 2001 Ford F350/Fire One custom attack pumper with four wheel drive, auxiliary seating, 175 gallons of water, and a Class A foam unit to increase its fire suppression capability. This vehicle is designated Brush 1 and replaces the old 1981 GMC/Forestry 5 four wheel drive pick-up that was in very poor condition. The department also placed in service a new rescue boat equipped with a 9.9 hp outboard motor, 14' trailer, open water rescue equipment, and a specialized ice rescue sled.

EMS Service

We expanded our public outreach program for EMS by interacting closer with our senior citizens and school age children as well as the wonderful clients of the Ledges School. Choke saving skills, CPR, and life safety talks were held on a regular basis and we are now a proud member of the Heart Safe Community Council as well as the Tobacco Free Partnership of Massachusetts. We have also re-initiated the Vial of Life program for residents that may have medications that we should be aware of and that would like participate. Our advice and input on state legislation has resulted in much support on Capital Hill for the proposed self-extinguishing cigarette campaign. We continue to grow as an EMS provider, realizing emergency responses that have now nearly tripled since 1998. The new transport ambulance is a great addition to our fleet and the fee-based system continues to provide relief to the taxpayers. Much credit should go to Mark Bucchino, our EMS Director of Service who continues to dedicate himself to the readiness of the EMS system in Hopedale.

Acknowledgements

On behalf of all the members of the Hopedale Fire Department we would like to take this opportunity to thank the various Boards, Commissions, and other town departments that we have worked with over the past year. The positive relationship between all departments is a true asset to the community. Most importantly, we wish to recognize and thank the citizens of Hopedale for their ongoing support and financial backing of our Department. Because you continue to believe in us we are able to bring top-level emergency service to you and your loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott D. Garland
Fire Chief

Mark P. Bucchino
EMS Coordinator

Hopedale Fire Department Roster 2000/2001

Scott D. Garland, Fire Chief

(Vacant), Deputy Chief

Mark P. Bucchino, EMS Director

Reverend Christopher Dodge, Chaplain

Permanent Firefighter/EMT's

Mark A. Carron
Paul D. Barry
Thomas M. Daige
David J. McMorrow
William Davis (resigned 01/01)
vacant

Call Firefighter/EMT's

Engine Company #4

Robert M. Malnati, Captain/EMT**
Keith E. Beckvold, Private/EMT**
Todd R. Erickson, Private
Daniel H. Lopez, Private/EMT
Mario Sousa, Substitute FF

Engine Company #3

Mark P. Bucchino, Lieutenant/EMT
Harold V. Murphy, Private/EMT
Donald K. Mailing, Private/EMT
Geoffrey Hooper, Private*
Dawn MacLean, Private

Ladder Company #1

James S. MacLean, Captain/EMT
Christopher P. Biuso, Private/EMT
Vernon D. Gross, Private/EMT
Patrick Evans, Private/EMT
Mark Marcotte, Private
Paul Grindle, Private
Leslie Fosburgh, Private
Joshua Phipps, Substitute**
Richard J. Gleason, Lieutenant
Ryan T. Jenkins, Private
James C. Huth, Private/EMT
Michael Ciaramicoli, Private
Edward Laquidara, Private
Andrew Buksar III, Substitute/EMT
Susan Fairfield, Substitute/EMT

*currently on a Leave of Absence
**resigned during the fiscal year

Annual Report for FY 2002
of the Hopedale Historical Commission
and
the Red Shop Preservation Committee

The Hopedale Historical Commission has had a very successful year thanks to the hard work of many individuals. About two years ago, the Commission embarked on a project to have a portion of the town identified as a National Historic Register District. After encouragement from property owners at informational meetings and the successful grant application to the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the Commission hired Preservation Consultant Kathleen Kelly Broomer to complete the nomination papers.

It has been two years since Kathy began work on the project and on June 21, 2002, the Hopedale Village National Register District was approved by the National Park Service in Washington, D.C. Approximately 600 buildings, statues and park areas are included in the historic district. Much to homeowners pleasure, the historic district is an honorary designation and not restrictive about maintenance or renovation projects to buildings within the district.

During the winter of 2002, a group of interested citizens meet with the Historical Commission to begin plans for celebrating this momentous occasion. The Celebration Committee was formed and Cheri Hardiman stepped forward to oversee the plans of various events as Chairperson. Barbara Kochon volunteered to Chair the Hopedale Holiday House Tour again for December of 2002. Events are planned to span the coming year with the Official Announcement of the Historic District to take place in April 2003 on the birthday of Adin Ballou.

This long project would not have been successful without the support of the staff at the Massachusetts Historical Commission, particularly, Betsy Friedberg and Philip Bergen. Kathy Broomer's detailed project enumerating the multitude of properties and monuments is awe inspiring and culminated in her presentation to the State Review Board in March of 2002.

Although the focus of the Historical Commission has been the meetings and fulfilling requirements for the National Register District, the Little Red Shop has remained as an ongoing project desperately needing restoration. Although the town funding has not been available for the restoration, the Commission and Red Shop members continue to bring the needs of the Little Red Shop to the Finance Committee and the Capital Projects Committee.

The Little Red Shop has been opened for tours on the Annual Day in the Park event and for tours by school children presented by the Park Rangers from the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor.

Grants for preservation of historic properties owned by municipalities and non-profit organizations are eligible for restoration projects. The goal of the Red Shop Committee members and the Historical Commission members will be to seek these funds for the restoration of the Little Red Shop.

The Friends of the Little Red Shop have been reorganized with new members and new energy. Fundraising events will support the restoration efforts of the Little Red Shop.

Respectfully submitted, Merrily Sparling, Chair

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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REPORT FOR THE HOPEDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY
FOR THE YEAR 2002

The annual meeting of the Authority was held on May 9, 2002, the following were elected or appointed to office:

Ellen Murphy	Chairman	2003
Karen Villani	Vice Chairman	2005
Louis Trevani	Treasurer	2006
Edith Francis	Asst. Treasurer	2004
Edward Malloy	Asst. Secretary	2004
Katherine E. Consigli	Exectuive Director and Secretary	
David T. Pagnini	Legal Counsel	

The Housing for Elderly, Project 667-C known as Griffin-Dennett Apartments, consist of eighty apartments and is managed according to the regulations set forth by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

The Authority meets on the second Thursday of each month and the annual meeting is held on the second, Thursday in May. The Authority held twelve regular meetings.

The Authority, is in the process of up grading the fire alarm system, and installing new kitchen countertops in every unit, the property is continual maintained and upgraded, to insure a safe and healthy environment for all of its tenants.

The Tenant Association is very active and they meet on a monthly basis, they have monthly dinners, and parties.

There is a current waiting list and local residents are still given preference according to state regulations.

Respectfully Submitted
Katherine E. Consigli
Executive Director

Bancroft Memorial Library
Annual Town Report
FY02

The members of the Library Board of Trustees for FY02 were Frederick Oldfield III, Chair, Edward Spillers, Secretary, and Roger Edwards. At the end of the year, Edwards stepped down from his position after serving three terms in office. Many improvements were made to the library facility during the nine years that Edwards served on the Board. Nancy Verdolino was voted Trustee during Town elections.

The Board of Library Trustees identified two goals as top priority for FY02: the hiring of a new Library Director and supporting the completion of the automation project.

The search for a Library Director was made necessary by the retirement of Library Director Elaine Malloy who left her position after thirteen years of service. Malloy was honored for her dedicated service to the Library and the Town at the spring Town Meeting.

In September, the Library Board appointed Beth Hoffer as Library Director. Hoffer holds a Master's Degree in Library Science and is an experienced library administrator.

The library moved closer to becoming fully automated during the year. Staff received training on the on-line public access catalog and cataloguing software. It is estimated that well over 90% of the library's collection is now on-line. The Library was wired for additional computer drops. It is anticipated that the Bancroft Memorial Library will become a full member of the CWMARS automated library system and begin circulating materials using the automated system during FY03.

Two long-time members of the Library Staff retired this year. Library Assistant Dot Stanas left after fourteen years of service. Anne Mattie, who, over the years held more than one position, the most recent being Senior Library Assistant/Technical Services, had served on the library staff for twenty-six years.

The Board of Trustees conducted a community survey which was available at the Library and as part of the Town Warrant. Part of the purpose of the survey was to determine what hours of operation would be most convenient for Town Residents. After reviewing the results of the survey, the Board decided to implement a more uniform schedule of hours. The current hours of operation, winter and summer, are: Monday and Wednesdays, 1pm – 8pm; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am – 5pm. Additionally, the Library is open Saturdays from Labor Day through Memorial Day 10 am – 2pm.

Improvements were made to the building and grounds. The Highway Department, under the foremanship of Robert DePonte, cleared and seeded the side yard. A telephone system was installed, benefiting both staff and patrons. Energy saving ballasts and lights were installed with the assistance of a grant from Massachusetts Electric. Fire Chief Scott Garland submitted a Fire Inspection Report and recommendations from that report

were followed. The concrete front walkway was replaced due to buckling and cracks. And, for all who requested it, the front door was repaired and no longer sticks!

The Library received donations during the year, including those made by the Friends of the Hopedale Library, the Hopedale Foundation, the Upton's Women's Club, Gaudet Insurance of Whitinsville, as well as local residents.

Children's programs offered by Children's Librarian Elaine Kraimer included weekly story hours, a "pajama" story time, the Summer Reading Program, a puppet workshop, "Fun with Science" with Dan Malloy, a Tye Dye Workshop hosted by Wendy Sullivan, "How the Stars Came to Be," sponsored by the Arts Council, Pioneer Days with the help of Donna Kenton and Elaine Malloy, Herbs with Terry Swain, Jay Mankita's Amazing Time Travel Show, Dorothy Suszanska's ever popular Teddy Bear Picnic and "Owl Moon" programs, and many more.

The Friends of the Hopedale Library fund many of the children's programs and purchase supplies for crafts and story hours. The organization is able to do so through its fundraising efforts, including the annual book and bake sale and membership drive. The Library's many museum passes are sponsored by the Friends of the Hopedale Library and the Hopedale Foundation. The Friends of the Library held two very well attended programs for adults this year. Ranger Chuck Arning of the Blackstone River Valley National Historic Corridor spoke on the Underground Railroad in Hopedale. "Toy Story Two: 1940s Style" was presented by Florence Ames, a member of the Friends Board. The Friends of the Library currently has 141 members.

Areas of the Library's collection that were targeted for development included medical reference books, books on careers and job hunting, and materials directed toward assisting students with their research and homework efforts. The video collection was also updated. The Library circulated 17, 681 items during FY02.

Hopedale Park Commission
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Mark Sesona, Chairman / Rick Espanet / Jim Binney

YEARLY REPORT; Fiscal Year 2002

The Park Commission continues its charter to improve and maintain existing facilities at the Town Beach, Parklands, Town Park and Mellen Field recreation areas.

Jim Binney was appointed to the Park Commission to fill the seat vacated by Rick Espanet. Commissioner, Harry Ohannesian resigned prior to end of his elected term. Ohannesian's seat was filled when Rick Espanet was re-appointed to the board.

Unless otherwise posted, Park Commission meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month and twice monthly during the summer months.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2001 - 2002

Mellen Field

- The Mellen Field recreational area continues to be used heavily by the Hopedale Girls Softball Association and the Milford/Hopedale Youth Soccer Association. The Commission renewed its contract with the Milford/Hopedale Youth Soccer Association for usage rights in exchange for maintenance upkeep assistance at Mellen Field.

- The Hopedale Girls Softball Association remains committed to field improvement and has installed five foot chain link fencing bordering the parking area as an added safety precaution.

Hopedale Ponds/Parklands

- The weed control contract was awarded to A.C.T. The work was completed at the pond in June 2002 at a cost of $9,000.00.

- The summer beach and recreation program was open. Brett Boyd directed activities at the pond and park with the assistance of Cassie Parrott and Kevin Webber. Crafts, games and field trips were offered from the park and swimming lessons were taught at the pond. Tennis lessons were again offered at the park and culminated in a tournament for those who wished to try out their newly learned skills. The summer program ended with a free cookout at the beach house opened to all.

Town Park

- The summer band concert series, planned and sponsored by the Hopedale Arts Council in conjunction with the Parks Department, was again a Wednesday evening tradition drawing hundreds of area residents to the Town Park each week.

- The popular *Day In The Park*, also planned and sponsored by the Hopedale Arts Council in conjunction with the Parks Department, was a great success. The program provides area crafters with a forum to display their talents and various charitable organizations the opportunity to raise funds.

- Residents and ball players volunteered their services to revitalize the Town Field by spreading loam, laying down sod and reseeding. A new sprinkler head and timer was installed within the infield and the existing system was repaired at an approximate cost of $1,100.00.

Miscellaneous

- The Highway Department has been instrumental in clearing away damaged shrubs, pulling stumps and repairing the affected areas on the left side of the property surrounding the Adin Ballou statue. Plans to landscape the area bordering the statue are under way.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

As always, the successful operation of this board would be impossible without the support of town employees, officials, and dozens of civic-minded individuals. Special thanks to the entire Town Hall staff; Town Treasurer, Sharon Emerick; Town Counsel, Alan Klepper; the Board of Selectman; the Hopedale Police Department; the Hopedale Highway Department, Bob DePonte and crew; Board of Health Agent, Lenny Izzo; the Hopedale Water Department, Tim Watson and crew; and the residents of Hopedale for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Sesona, Chairman
September 2, 2002

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CHIEF OF POLICE
EUGENE P. COSTANZA

FISCAL 2002 ANNUAL REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the residents of Hopedale, I hereby submit the Hopedale Police Department Annual Town Report.

Once again calls for service to the police department have increased compared to the stats of F.Y. 2001. Our present manpower has done it's best to handle the influx of calls.

The "911" system must be manned twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Civilian Public Safety Dispatchers are hired to perform this and numerous other tasks.

During the course of the year, we held several events such as, Bicycle Inspection and Registration, a Halloween Parade and Party for the children, a Visit with Santa for the children, the Ninth Annual Hopedale Police and Fireman's Ball, a Children I.D. Program, a field trip to a Pawtucket Red Sox game, sponsored by our D.A.R.E. Program. The Police Association and Police Union sponsored a little league team, and two girl's softball teams.

Officer Victor Best, the departments D.A.R.E. Officer continued the program with much success. The program was taught to the fifth and sixth grade, students. The state has informed us that the grant funds used to support the D.A.R.E. program have been eliminated for next year. This being the case, we hope to raise enough funds to continue the program through donations.

The police department continued its philosophy of Community Policing and maintained the Officer on Bicycle Patrol unit. As a result of the Community Policing Grant offered by the state, we are able to have a Harley Davidson Police Motorcycle available for patrol. The residents have seen the officers on their bikes at various public events such as, band concerts, road races, parades, and at times on routine patrol in the area of the park, park lands, center of town and neighborhoods. This type of policing has given us a better way to interact with the residents and children in town. Once again I received a lot of positive feed back from the residents regarding this program, especially in the area of the town park.

The police department applied for and received three grants during the year. We received two grants from the Executive Office of Public Safety. The first was for $6,000.00 to continue our D.A.R.E. Program. The second was for $10,000.00 to continue our community-policing program. The third was for $1,500.00 from the State Police,(ByrneGrant) to assist us in performing drug investigations. We have been informed that the community policing grants have also been eliminated by the state. Therefore a lot of our extra activities supplied to the public will be eliminated unless the town increases our budget.

We had applied for and received a $125,000.00 Federal Grant in order to hire a police officer to be assigned specifically to the schools. After an exhausting go around with civil service we finally hired Officer Bret Poirier. Officer Best was assigned the Officer in School position. He has worked hand and hand with school personnel on a daily basis. So far the program has proven to be a huge success.

I want to thank the residents, Town Boards and Departments for their support and assistance. I look forward to working in unison with all parties during my tenure as Chief of Police. I especially want to extend my thanks to the members of the Hopedale Police Department. These men and women are a dedicated, sincere, and a loyal group of individuals whom have shown their support for me and always give 110%.

My intent was, and will always be, to maintain the demeanor of the Hopedale Police Department personnel in order to continue being a people's police department. As Chief of Police, I feel we have achieved this goal, along with maintaining our professional image, and always remembering we are here to protect, to serve, and to interact with the public.

Respectfully Submitted,

E.P. Costanza

Eugene P. Costanza Jr.
Chief of Police

HOPEDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT

TRAFFIC ACTIVITY	2001	2002		INCREASE / DECREASE	
Total Number Of Accidents	87	77			-11.49%
Total Number Of Accidents No Injuries	69	57			-17.39%
Total Number Of Accidents With Injuries	18	20		11.11%	
Total Number Of Accidents Fatalities	0	0			
Hazardous Motor Vehicle Arrests **(Not O.U.I.)**	216	300		28.00%	
Operating Under The Influence Arrests	53	64		17.19%	
Total Number Of Motor Vehicle Citations Issued	2,996	3262		8.15%	
Total Number Of Civil Citations Issued	2,228	444			-401.80%
Total Number Of Complaint Citations Issued	167	209		20.10%	
Total Number Of Warning Citations Issued	423	2289		441.13%	
Total Number Of Parking Citations Issued	178	324		82.02%	
Total Number Of Abandoned Vehicles	3	2			-33.33%
Total Number Of Towed Vehicles	87	292		235.63%	
Total Number Of Stolen Vehicles	4	2			-50.00%

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY					
Total Number Of Investigations	3,672	4,224		13.07%	
Total Number Of Arrests Felony / Adult	34	65		47.69%	
Total Number Of Arrests Felony / Juvenile	6	8		25.00%	
Total Number Of Arrests Misdemeanor / Adult	142	231		38.53%	
Total Number Of Arrests Misdemeanor / Juvenile	12	14		14.29%	
Total Number Of Arrest Warrants Served	75	215		65.12%	
Total Number Of Property Checks Made	2,343	2,323			-0.86%
Total Number Of Field Interviews / Adult	736	446			-65.02%
Total Number Of Field Interviews / Juvenile	42	38			-10.53%
Total Number Of Recovered Vehicles	2	3		50.00%	
Total Number Of Recovered Bicycles	23	4			-475.00%
Total Number Of Stolen Bicycles	2	3		50.00%	
Total Number Of Summons / 209A Served	156	243		35.80%	
Total Number Of Drug Related Arrests	34	58		41.38%	
Total Number Of Individuals Held In Protective Custody	53	67		20.90%	

ADMINISTRATION AND GENERAL					
Total Number Of Hours Spent On Dare	1,752	2,115		17.16%	
Total Number Of Hours Spent On Community Service	2,234	3,172		29.57%	
Total Number Of Patrol Hours	8,211	10,147		19.08%	
Total Number Of Selective Enforcement Hours	3,657	4,721		22.54%	
Total Number Of Outside Agency Assists	645	867		25.61%	
Total Number Of Training Hours	2,345	2,500		6.20%	
Total Number Of Public Talks	298	307		2.93%	
Total Number Of Court Appearances (Criminal)	167	242		30.99%	
Total Number Of Court Appearances (Civil)	278	294		5.44%	
Total Number Of Administrative Investigations	4,678	6,822		31.43%	
Total Number Of Calls For Service	35,634	36,110		1.32%	

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Annual Report for FY2002

The following account is our summary of activities and events for the past year. Our major projects for the past year have included the resurfacing of the following streets: Plain St. for a length of 3630' by 27' wide, and Mill St. for a length of 1450' by 24' wide. These were done with Chapter 90 state monies for a total cost of $52,178.40. From the highway sidewalk account, we removed and replaced a large portion of the cement sidewalks on both sides of Dutcher St. for a total length of 3090' at an approximate cost of $80,000 from FY2001 and FY2002 budgets.

At the annual Town Meeting the following streets were accepted: Tandem Way with a length of approximately 270', Centennial St. with a length of 550' and a portion of Jones Road with a length of 311.86'.

John Farrar was re-elected to the board at the annual town election and was named Chairman of the Board for the current year. Jack has served this Board since 1986.

Through Capital Planning Funds, we acquired the following equipment: a new 2002 International 7400 dumptruck with a built in sander and a reversible 11' plow; a 2500 gallon liquid calcium storage tank and 3 saddle tanks, to be mounted on the sanders, and used for winter snow fighting purposes.

On the maintenance side of the ledger we rebuilt the 1988 Ford F350 truck. We had to fabricate a flatbed body and painted the cab and chassis. This was done in-house at a considerable savings.

We were fortunate in having a rather mild winter in terms of snowfall and ice, which helped to keep operating expenses down. And in the spirit of cooperation, we made provisions for the Fire Department to house several of their vehicles in our facilities during the winter months, while the Fire Station is undergoing renovation.

We continue to monitor the development and progress of roadway construction and related structures, i.e. guardrails, drains, sidewalks etc. at Harmony Estates in cooperation with the Planning Board.

Our thanks to Town Coordinator, Allan Klepper and the Town Hall General Office staff for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

John E Farrar Jr

John Farrar, Chairman

William Marquis

Donald Fafard

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE
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Elizabeth Lerner	*Term Expires 2003*

One Hundred Sixteenth Commencement of Hopedale High School
June 1, 2002

*Michael Adam Alger**
Heather Lynn Allard
*Daniel Joseph Allen**
Aaron Daniel Ashworth
*Kristen Anne Berry**
*Leah Caroline Binney**
Lori Melissa Boyce
Stephen Michael brown
*Michael James Burke**
*Andrea Lynn Caron**
Rebecca Leigh Clement
Kylee Elizabeth Clickner
*Amie Elizabeth Colcord**
Michelle Ann Dalton
Jennifer Marie Demery
*Lauren Nicole Feeley**
Lisa Marie Franks
Jenna Lynn Gaal
Erin Lynne Gaffney
*Jaclyn Galligan**
Adrianna Jean Gassett
Marissa Danielle Goodwin
Richard Jay Gould
Steven James Kampersal
Kevin Paul Kearsley
Nathan Andrew Keller
*Richard Adam LaPreste**
Justin Daniel Leone
Adam John Manning
*Theresa Ann Masnik**
James Michael MacDonald
*Elizabeth Anne Mitchell**
Laura Valerie Moniz
*Lisa Marie Murphy**
Loic Perroud
Kenneth William Proctor
Ashley Marie Sager
*Amanda Diane Smith**
Catherine Anne Stanley
Joshua Paul Stevens
Kyle Robert Sullivan
Andrew Paul Tonelli
Justine David Trenchard
Michael Richard Turco
*Daniel Joseph Verdolino**
Lisa Jeanne Wasnewski
Adam Bock Webster
*Amanda Marie Williams**

- *National Honor Society*

The Hopedale School Committee hereby approves this and the attached Report of the Superintendent of Schools as the Annual Report of the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Martin, Chair
Hopedale School Committee

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
2001-2002 SCHOOL YEAR

Junior-Senior High School Finally a Reality

After over two years of construction, we opened school in September with the Junior-Senior High School finally complete. The original 1929 building, which had been enlarged twice before is now completely revamped and elegantly graces the corner of Adin and Hopedale Streets. Every inch of space was utilized, even the attic. A well-attended rededication ceremony was held in October. The doors were opened wide and the entire town was invited in to see the beautiful, functional and state-of-the-art school that will house the students of Hopedale for many years to come. The Town of Hopedale showed great wisdom in approving the renovations and additions of two of its schools in the past eight years as the Massachusetts School Building Assistance funds are decreasing.

New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) Accreditation

The Junior-Senior High School was involved in a two year self study in order to prepare for the accreditation visit, which will take place in March of 2003. One of our first tasks was to revisit and update the mission statement. The mission statement serves as the backbone for the entire Junior-Senior High School program and warrants inclusion in this year's Town Report:

The mission of Hopedale Junior-Senior High School is to nurture life-long learning in a friendly atmosphere and safe environment. Through close working relationships within the educational community our school becomes a forum for positive and challenging learning opportunities that address students' individual needs and talents. This student-focused approach promotes intellectual growth, encourages academic excellence, fosters personal responsibility, and instills mutual respect for one another. From this approach our students develop into critical thinkers, contributing citizens, and life-long learners in an ever-changing world.

New Programs, New Staff

At the Junior-Senior High School our new principal has brought a renewed commitment to excellence. Advanced Placement Spanish was offered for the first time as well as eighth grade advanced algebra and video production. After the tragedy of September 11 a group of students produced a video documenting the events of that day and those that followed. This exercise greatly helped not only the students who produced it but the entire school community as we grappled with our new world.

At the elementary level we began using the *Everyday Math* program, a hands-on curriculum emphasizing problem solving and higher level thinking skills. The Memorial School faculty continued its focus on literacy, utilizing a $50,000 state grant to support initiatives in

reading comprehension, spelling, writing and more. As our students will be living in an ever-changing and unknown world, we must prepare them to meet their own needs and the needs of others as responsible members of society. *Open Circle,* a social skills competency program, was adopted that will teach our students personal problem solving skills along with a common language to use in difficult social situations.

Our teachers and administrators worked throughout the school year formatting consistent curriculum course guides for each subject at each grade level. Our goal is to create a document which presents our Pre K-12 curriculum as a cohesive whole and in a system that is standardized.

Inherent in the two major renovation projects of the past eight years, has been the modernization of technology. The computer has opened vistas for information gathering and provided teaching and learning tools that will enable our students to solve the problems of the future. Technology integration teachers assist with embedding technology into the very fiber of our curriculum. Our state-of-the art technology labs include flat screen computers, printers, digital cameras, smart boards, and the accompanying software and programs that make the best use of the equipment and encourage our students to excel.

Open Communication is Our Hallmark

As Superintendent I continue to hold four forums per year for parents, teachers and community. Three of the Superintendent's Forums took place in the evening and one was a breakfast meeting; each included lively dialogue and information sharing. At the breakfast forum the entire administrative team presents an overview of current programs.

Each of the three schools (Bright Beginnings, Memorial Elementary School and the Junior-Senior High School) continues to have a parent group that works with administration and staff to improve our schools. The Friends of Music and Athletic Booster Club encourage parents to get involved with their children's activities. Additionally, the principals and I publish our own informative newsletters and calendars. For the first time we mailed home a well-received yearlong calendar.

An informational brochure about our schools was disseminated at the rededication ceremony and again at town meetings. The technology team has developed a Hopedale Public Schools website (www.hopedale.k12.ma.us). Please log on to see what is going on in individual teachers' classrooms, read about your School Committee and discover other interesting things about our schools and your students. We will continue our efforts to foster and develop greater communication.

Thank you for the privilege of serving the Town of Hopedale and its schools and thank you also for the support you have provided for the outstanding students of Hopedale.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea M. Hallion

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Superintendent of Schools

Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District
FY 2002 Annual Report

From the Superintendent-Director:
This report encapsulates our fiscal year, July 1, 2001-June 30, 2002, yet from all perspectives our system comes alive in late August each year and it is when the halls are bustling and the bells are ringing that you feel the real difference at Blackstone Valley Tech. This is not your father's vocational school.

While vocational technical education is truly an American tradition that works, we've updated the tradition here at Valley Tech. Our vision is global, as our nation's business and industry now know no geographical borders. Even the most local of businesses based within the Blackstone Valley understands the importance of educating our future worker for a global advantage.

The connection between Valley Tech and the community members it serves continued to thrive this year. For the fourth consecutive year, we received 100% support for our annual budget - no small feat when you consider the path it must take through thirteen finance committees and thirteen town meetings. The operating budget was increased by only 3.99%, again a rarity given the current municipal economic environment. The support for the expansion and renovation of our facilities in place, we've refined our plans and are ready to get to work to create a physical space where we can do the best possible job of preparing the Blackstone Valley's youth for the world that awaits them.

We, like all systems in the Commonwealth, have made purposeful strides to ensure our students' success. One measure of their success is the state mandated MCAS tests. Valley Tech teachers and support staff are a critical part of ensuring positive results and to that end, a landmark union contract was negotiated to include a performance bonus, tied directly to measurable improvement in students' test scores. Our efforts already reflect success: Valley Tech students' MCAS scores are the highest of the 26 regional vocational technical systems in the state.

While the MCAS are mandated, we have not lost sight of the importance of a tangible measurement of each student's progress in the technical programs here at Valley Tech. Our innovative use of student portfolios as a benchmark and graduation requirement has garnered national attention. Portfolios have become a student's "calling card" as he or she sets out in the world of work.

Preparing a student academically, technically, socially and emotionally is a large undertaking. We do not accomplish it alone, but our role is significant and is one we take to heart. Our 100% placement record offers us one benchmark of success. Another is in the vignettes of our graduates, including Pat Duclos, James Brochu, and Janice McKinstry Mosko who shared their respective success laden paths during commencement exercises. We look forward to inviting future grads to come back to Valley Tech and share and inspire tomorrow's greatness.

Decennial Accreditation Showcases Valley Tech Pride
As a voluntary member of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), Valley Tech is required to attain accreditation by the Commission on Vocational, Technical, and Career Institutions every 10 years. In 2002, Valley Tech underwent the rigorous process of accreditation and can proudly state we came through with flying colors.

Appraisal of all facets of the school and its programs were carried out by both an internal self-evaluation and an audit by a distinguished visiting committee, comprised of a wide array of professional educators from outside the Valley Tech community. For nearly two years in advance of the accreditation visit, all members of the Valley Tech team worked tirelessly to provide the in-depth self-evaluation required. Members of the visiting committee spent four days in April with faculty, administrators, support staff and students, examining the physical facilities, curriculum, culture and atmosphere at Valley Tech. Thoughtful and sometimes-lengthy deliberations resulted in a level of scrutiny that perhaps would have shaken a less-prepared system. Valley Tech welcomed the examination and saw it as another opportunity to reach for greater excellence.

All told, the committee was extremely impressed with Valley Tech. Commendations significantly outnumbered recommendations - a clear message that we are doing many things very well. Many of the recommendations offered by the committee are things that were previously identified to be resolved with the physical renovation and expansion of the facility. Other recommendations will be reviewed and implemented as warranted.

While accreditation happens once every ten years, ideas for change and improvement happen every day at Valley Tech. The genesis of an idea can come from anywhere and we constantly welcome suggestions from our students, staff, parents and community members.

Valley Tech staff also participated in accreditation reviews at other voc-tech systems. Active involvement with our voc-tech peers can only strengthen the overall foundation of the education and training we offer to America's youth.

Expansion Plans Moving Forward
The undertaking of Valley Tech's $36 million expansion and renovation can already be deemed a success by virtue of the 100% financial support the project has received. Many of our students have had the unique opportunity to be involved in the project in a very hands-on way. Drafting students worked closely with the professional architects on design. HVAC students have been involved in air conditioning controls installation and advance work that has resulted in considerable savings.

The magnanimous donation of a 23-acre parcel of land by Upton resident and attorney Harvey Trask was formalized and plans to use this land as athletic field space are underway.

Mr. Robert Gilchrist was hired as the Project Manager for the expansion. Bob will oversee all the many details related to the project.

Valley Tech was the recipient of a Green Schools Grant, providing funding for environmental and conservation measures in conjunction with the expansion and renovation.

Actual construction, slated to begin in early fall of 2002, should not result in any significant disruption to the typical school day. Arrangements for parking and traffic flow have been made and announced to students, parents and staff. Further refinements are anticipated and the flexibility and adaptability of the vocational technical educators will be a rare advantage.

A Look at the Numbers

The FY 2002 total operating budget for the district was $11,805,489. The Net School Spending requirement of the district was $9,072,499. This sum was funded through Chapter 70 Aid of $5,576,169 and Minimum Contribution requirements from the 13 member towns totaling $3,436,872. In the operation portion of the budget, but outside DOE net school spending areas, the district had a budget of $681,051 for transportation, $52,000 for acquisition of fixed assets, and an obligation of $183,000 for retiree medical coverage. In addition to their state-required Minimum Contributions, the member towns supported the school's operating budget with shared assessments for operations, student transportation, asset acquisition, and retiree medical. Funds received from the state for regional student transportation amounted to $612,946. The district's debt obligation of $276,000 for FY 2002 was funded by an assessment allotted among the member towns in accordance with the District Agreement

Blackstone Valley Tech Graduates from Hopedale, Class of 2002

Daniel C. Aaron (Carpentry), Kevin M. Chambers (Plumbing), Ryan J. Fullum (Plumbing), Gregory D. Giroux (Electrical), Jason D. Knipe (Building and Property Maintenance)

Respectfully submitted by your school committee:

E. Kevin Harvey, Chairman, Bellingham
Gerald M. Finn, Vice Chairman, Millville
Daniel L. Baker, Secretary, Uxbridge
Matthew C. Krajewski, Blackstone
John C. Lavin III, Douglas
Anthony M. Yitts, Grafton
Everett A. Young, Hopedale
Michael D. Peterson, Mendon
Arthur E. Morin, Jr., Milford
Chester P. Hanratty, Jr., Millbury
Joan A. Gautreau, Northbridge
Mitchell A. Intinarelli, Sutton
Robert H. Snow, Upton
Dr. Michael F. Fitzpatrick, Superintendent-Director

ANNUAL REPORT
OF TOWN COUNSEL

The past fiscal year was an active year in which Town Counsel rendered numerous legal opinions, approved contracts and guided transactions, met with the Board of Selectmen and various other boards, and handled a number of lawsuits on the Town's behalf.

Town Counsel continues to represent the Town in various ongoing litigation matters in state superior court as well as the state land court. Presently, there are eight pending litigation matters involving the Town and town boards. I am pleased to report that six litigation matters have been successfully resolved this year, substantially reducing the Town's caseload. These included negotiated settlement of a labor dispute, two construction matters, and a dispute over water connection rights. We were also able to secure dismissal of an unfair labor practices charge by ruling of the Labor Relations Commission.

We have advised the Town on the Hopedale and Mendon Streets water mains project, assisted with drainage easements, provided advice with respect to codification of Town By-laws, language for By-law amendments, and implementation of an internet access policy for the library.

We have reviewed the general terms and conditions of a contract with C.J.P. & Sons Construction Co., Inc. for construction of drainage improvements, a contract for the purchase of a new fire truck and have reviewed and advised the Town as to a Police Department lease of DARE program equipment.

Town Counsel has continued to take a pro-active approach to controlling costs by providing numerous memoranda on various areas of municipal law at no charge to the community. For example, we have provided memoranda discussing the latest employment and labor laws affecting municipalities, an explanation of a recent Supreme Court decision regarding regulation of door-to-door soliciting and canvassing by non-commercial groups, and a summary of new state regulations and cases governing comprehensive permits for low to moderate income housing. We have provided guidelines to assist the Town in applying federal, state and local regulations regarding handicapped access to public buildings. We have also outlined the procedure for transfer of tax title parcels to conservation commissions and provided guidance as to municipal web sites, application of the public records and open meetings laws to electrical mail and voicemail communications, and the impact of a recent court decision affecting releases of liability for participation in school-sponsored extra-curricular activities.

As always, we strive to provide timely and concise responses to requests for advisory opinions and have assisted in the review of articles for the Warrants for Town Meetings as well as attending Town Meetings and various board meetings.

We wish to express our thanks to all the people who have dedicated their time to the town government in Hopedale, especially the Board of Selectmen, Town Coordinator, and department heads. Without their assistance and cooperation, our collective objectives could not be attained.

Respectfully submitted,

Kopelman and Paige, P.C.

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Tree Warden
Leo F. Lyons

ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2002

For the second year in a row I had to run for the office of Tree Warden. This happened because there was only one year left to the term for which I ran unopposed last year. This year I had one opponent but I still was victorious. Unfortunately, not many people came out to cast their ballots but to those who did, I say thank you for supporting me.

We have reached a point in Hopedale where there are a great number of trees in awful shape. We have many old trees that, due to lack of rain and road salting, are deteriorating rapidly. I'm trying to take the worst ones down and have others pruned. Money is a big issue.

I've asked the Finance Committee for more money but was turned down. I know that times are tough and money is tight, but our situation is serious. With the money I'm allocated I will not be able to plant any new trees this year, as was the case last year. My aim is to correct the bad tree problem first. This may take a couple of years. Then I will replant.

I would like to thank the Hopedale Highway Department for all their help this past ;year. Without them, our Town would not be as beautiful as it is. Without their tree help, someone could have been hurt by rotten limbs.

I would also like to thank Mr. Allan Klepper. He has been a help to me since I became Tree Warden. I'm still in the learning process and I have learned from Mr. Klepper. His knowledge will be greatly missed by many.

Linda at the Town Office has been my helping hand and many times my voice to the Townspeople. I am greatly in debt to her for all she's done.

In closing, I would like to ask everyone for their help. If you can save my budget money by taking care of trees on your property, please do so. I am always open to suggestions to save our Town trees. Also, if you see trees that have bad limbs or are in terrible shape, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Leo F. Lyons
Tree Warden

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES

Your local Veterans' Service Officer is committed to assist our needy veterans and dependents, with the same concern and compassion that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office and the Massachusetts House and Senate had when aid and assistance programs for our veterans were first established in the Commonwealth. Many reforms and changes have been made to improve the delivery of services. Today, with the continued support of the Commonwealth and its legislators, your Veterans' Service Officer is meeting the needs of our former service personnel.

Your Veterans' Service Officer administers many varied entitlement programs and for this reason, your local Department of Veterans' Services is considered a one-stop center. In addition to the duties to aid, assist and advise, as stated in Chapter 115. Massachusetts General Law, your Veterans' Service Officer counsels, files claims, and explores every avenue leading to the resources and revenue available for the veteran. The veteran or dependent of the veteran must be motivated to realize and be aware of their own assets. Where rehabilitation may be required, proper attention is given to that need, while treating the veteran or his dependent with dignity and courtesy. Our services to veterans and to their dependents are a record of which we are proud. Your Veterans' Service Officer will continue to meet his responsibility to the taxpayer with diligence, keeping in mind that monies received from other resources will reduce the financial responsibility to the Town.

Major changes in Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 115, affecting all veterans within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts include:

1. An increase in Burial Allowance to $2,000.00.
2. Reimbursement to cities and town, 75% of the cost of flags for flagging veteran's gravesites on Memorial Day.
3. Reimbursement to each city and town, 100% for training programs for Veterans Service Officers.
4. Increase Annuity Payments to $1500.00 annually, this includes parents of eligible deceased veterans, M.G.L. Chapter ll5, sec 6a, 6b, 6c.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their understanding of the needs of veterans and for their continued support to insure that the Veterans Service Department's justifiable monetary benefits are met. The Department of Veterans' Services and the Town will continue to fulfill the needs of those who served.

The Department of Veterans' Services will continue to provide service to our Veterans and their dependents, being aware of the fact that our services have constantly increased. It is, therefore, necessary to emphasize the quality of services and continue with our best effort to maintain an efficient and economical Veterans Assistance Program.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony J. Mastroianni
Veterans' Service Officer

2001 GROSS EARNINGS

	TrueGross YTD
Tremblay, Marcel H	40,471.60
Mattie, Anne L	21,243.88
Stanas, Dorothy L.	7,038.12
Malloy, Elaine F	24,887.04
Sweet, Steven	16,389.44
Smith, Barry	9,380.27
Murray, Russell J.	20,674.60
Beckvold, Keith E.	1,421.13
Sartori, Emily L.	153.60
Konvalinka, Jon	3,263.75
Carrington, John	216.40
Burt, Molly	712.13
Boyd, Brett R.	3,626.00
Gunduz, Evren	340.00
Callahan, Stephanie	2,980.00
Wright, Patricia	4,159.26
Burke, Edward	355.00
Burt, Edward	887.50
Davis, William	3,089.09
Yung, Elena	1,822.00
Dowden, David	19,373.53
Cooper, Armand F.	522.40
Dionne, Andrew	2,450.01
Johnson, Caitlyn	1,746.89
Sager, Christine	2,274.00
Kiley, Jessica	2,095.01
Carlson, Erik	2,436.75
Alger, Timothy	125.00
Gallagher, Steven	125.00
Felper,David	50.00
Espanet, Richard P	300.00
Sesona, Mark G	550.00
Test, Earle	1,322.50
Ohannesian, Harry	851.50
Haynes, Thomas	150.00
Cockroft, Mary	1,000.00
Weaver, Michael	700.00
Lerner, Elizabeth	1,177.50
Travers, D	900.00
Luchini, Joseph	350.00
Comastra, Donald	150.00
Griffin, Harland	350.00
Arcudi, Louis	250.00
Martin, Richard	1,000.00
Fafard, Donald	700.00
Binney, James	250.00
Volpe,Richard L	1,425.00
Burke, Christine H	250.00

Alberto, Lisa M.	1,425.00
Tarca, Aldo	250.00
Marquis, William	700.00
Tonelli, Justine	645.00
Bird, Robert	300.00
Farrer Jr.,John E	800.00
Larkin, Francis J	200.00
Collins, Michael	2,000.00
Ryan, Alan	1,290.00
Milanoski, Michael	2,322.50
Binkowski, Linda	14,582.89
Klepper, Allan C.	57,508.50
Emerick, Sharon E	41,572.00
Greene, Theresa	25,208.33
Goodwin,Christine	41,560.00
Lamphere, Donna	29,232.80
Winters, Carol	16,728.42
Ohannesian, Ronda	21,866.00
Milanoski,Dorothy	600.00
Hammond, Robert	322.50
Erickson, Todd R	1,689.00
Mailing,Donald	2,674.49
Gross,Vernon	2,608.30
Ciaramicoli, Michael	785.70
Biuso,Christopher	2,542.26
MacLean, Dawn	1,329.90
Jenkins, Ryan T.	2,088.30
Fairfield, Susan	65.00
Buksar III, Andrew	208.00
Laquidara, Edward J.	216.60
Fosburgh Jr., Leslie	539.40
Malnati,Robert M	2,355.04
Murphy, Harold V.	3,524.10
Maclean, James S.	2,700.88
Lopez, Daniel	38,578.71
Marcotte, Mark	2,370.50
Sousa, Mario	2,282.10
Huth, James	15,499.71
Best,Victor	48,369.71
Mank, Richard P	59,523.40
Minichielli, Wayne	45,128.21
Giovanella, Mark A	70,403.54
Saball, Andrew	41,672.48
Chysna, Chad	45,529.72
Costanza, Eugene	67,042.89
Martin Sr.,Donald J	46,632.48
Valliere,Shawn B	46,663.35
Reardon,Gregory Michael	21,658.76
Gardner,James M	44,045.68
Tebeau,John	28,246.68
Mason, Cherie A	29,954.70
Bucchino, Mark P	6,489.81

Evans, Patrick	37,866.88
McLaughlin, Paul	1,654.56
Collins, Lisa A	33,003.64
Carron, Mark A	53,995.47
Daige, Thomas M Jr	70,778.84
Barry, Paul	49,075.45
Garland, Scott	52,901.30
McMorrow, David J	51,681.37
Drugan, Joseph P	2,563.00
Curley, James P	2,232.68
Dunlavey,Philip	892.50
Walckner, James	126.00
Bish, Marsha	368.50
Testa,Todd	134.00
Wagner,Stephen M	268.00
Hester,Charles E	2,128.88
Gleason, Jr. Richard J.	2,983.44
Tusino,Michael A	12,726.50
Fontana, John	90.00
Balanca,John M	1,900.00
Shimkus,Albert	2,650.00
Mael,Leon J.	500.00
Gagnon, John P	5,000.00
Sawyer, David H	355.00
Lyons, Leo	645.00
Ozella III, Vincent	34,880.62
Lambert,Gerald	39,294.22
Watson, Thomas	17,698.65
Bosma, Steven	11,537.67
Deponte,Robert S	50,377.58
Gaffney,Charles F	44,321.75
Cooper,Donald	47,090.46
Morin, Jeffrey M.	34,702.61
Mercer,Debra	28,209.38
Schreiber,John T	42,273.10
Watson,Timothy J	52,690.73
Nadeau,Christopher	36,625.69
Wellman, Gail L	575.00
Mitchell,Peter B	729.00
Izzo,Leonard	15,273.30
Sales,Elizabeth W	746.00
Monique,Joanne E	600.00
Deletti, Esther	6,110.00
Mullen, Carole K.	25,560.25
Mastroianni, AJ	2,665.00
Manczurowsky,Walter P	3,599.48
Kraimer,Elaine	23,295.85
Chase,Patricia	2,352.36
Hoffer, Beth	12,250.03
Sullivan,Wendy H	8,884.21
Colcord, Robert	1,000.00
Gorman, Barry	603.00

Mitchell,Elizabeth	3,311.00
Webber,Kevin	3,058.00
Colcord, Amie	738.37
Laumeister, Denise T	10,425.16
Freeman, Lowell	13,958.51
Curtis,Jean	14,039.93
Sullivan-McDougle, Carol	4,069.13
McGuane,Jeanne E	15,066.84
Hanley, Kevin	2,611.91
McCallum,James R	6,108.00
Taylor, Susan P.	371.84
Kimball,Janet	5,400.00
Grady, Alison M	840.00
Lee, Mary	120.00
Tangredi, Michelle	30.00
Hepp-Marshall, Diane	210.00
Rapp, Ryan	330.00
Barys, Gretchen S.	1,135.05
Kleya, Jacquelyn	390.00
Small, Joseph J	2,313.00
Lucier, Virginia	249.97
Carboni, Melissa	330.00
Rolo, Ann M	26,884.30
Frost, Wendy	282.52
Marchionni, Donna	3,900.00
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Tenenholtz, Alisa	60.00
Russo, Kristina	240.00
Hourihan, Michael	660.00
Bolton-Dias,Lorraine	2,287.47
Tower,Christine	615.00
DeWitt, Jane P.	420.00
Boyett, G. Dale	1,847.00
Stanas, Julie	1,807.38
Kearsley,Deborah	15,856.45
Phaneuf, Elisabeth	840.00
Lum, Colleen A.	300.00
Hagglund,Kerry	2,313.00
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Barrett, Karen	3,285.58
Daigle, Robin	145.76
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Schwartz, Deborah	1,500.00
Stock,Jessica L	1,641.26
Taddeo, Deborah	765.00
Cheschi, Ashlye	1,260.00
DePaolo, Marcia	60.00
Bishop, Elizabeth I.	1,847.00

Rocha, Kimberlyann	360.00
Rossetti, Alfred	480.00
Berube, Vincent	347.48
Fancy,Robert	3,420.00
Mahoney, William R.	3,074.55
Blake, Edward	480.00
Galante, W. Scott	663.00
Roache, Christopher	2,431.00
Lashley, Judith	1,260.00
Gross, Mark	13,157.62
Holdener, Nicole	1,020.00
White, Lisa	1,020.00
Gilchrist, Kelly	386.25
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Schulman,Sara	22.00
Peacock, Beth	60.50
Stock, Jason	1,242.50
Tiede, Mary	1,140.00
Tonelli, Stephanie A.	180.00
Rapp, Daniel J.	60.00
Rose, Colleen	2,134.00
Atkinson,Marie	6,996.00
Apicella,Susan	33,271.31
Lemon,Sandra	17,719.35
Lewis,Gloria	2,691.26
Mulready,Susan A	53,420.27
Glenn,Sally Ann	21,264.80
La France,Amy	10,300.13
Tarella,Kathleen M	8,697.69
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Wood, Deborah	695.63
Wersted,Amy	144.00
Lessard,Michelle L	180.00
Whyte,Sarah	2,085.51
Leclaire,Kristen	252.00
Betschart,Michael	2,104.52
Creekmore,Joan	7,382.23
Grover-Ellis,Penny	21,812.38
Vieira, Casandra	63.00
Mulry,Stacey	9,962.75
Tower,Anita	1,948.20
Glenn, Kellie	1,190.13
Lane, Amanda	126.00
Gannon, Craig	259.00
Alger, Eryka	413.00
Rossacci,Karen	17,220.42
Corl,Adam	1,189.40
Rains,Carol P	12,149.94
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Elliott,Kathryn A	9,925.90
Stevens,Kathryn A	8,201.76
Smith,Jennifer	33,297.00

Berardi,Terri	10,585.27
Miller,Susan	10,790.28
Killam,Donna M	6,989.76
Collette,Coleen	56,851.54
Lewis,Ronald	51,892.24
McGrath,Donna	56,920.53
Mooradian,Marilyn	49,697.41
Phillips,Linda J	56,116.58
Stare,Josephine	10,044.56
Wodin,Laurie S	46,582.55
Pacheco,Lori	55,043.40
Cormier,Cheryl	56,443.40
Verdolino,Nancy Kelly	53,761.67
Deluca,Janet	57,567.94
Smith,Anne M	16,367.95
Fox,Beth Barbara	49,719.85
Pigeon, Lisa Marie	9,298.62
Candini, Marian E	55,742.97
D'Urso,Thomas R	57,055.97
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Baillargeon,Fredericke L	41,080.22
Walker,Jacqueline A	53,370.24
Johnson, Dianne M	45,284.95
Cappabianca,Christine Marie	45,334.95
Kita,Deborah E	58,313.81
Balog,Christine	13,997.02
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Page,Janet R	48,857.85
Skorupa,Candace	39,689.64
Jacaruso,Janet O	9,659.22
Dunn,Suzanne G W	48,225.50
Pantano,Beth A	10,459.14
Edwards,Virginia M	50,387.71
Leclaire,Jane M	47,196.12
Reeves,Anne	34,015.65
Gannon,Nancy	4,947.75
Dos Ramos,Maria	21,451.54
Manning, Laura	1,390.47
Labossiere,Claire	9,262.92
McPherson-Todd,Kelly	35,527.50
Ward, Constance	1,678.30
Borghi,Andrea	34,928.65
Carlson,Judith	33,169.65
Valdez-Moran,Bertha	38,719.96
Davin,Virginia	4,914.52
Booth, Kim	3,895.73
Martin, Kerri L.	214.12
Dion, Melanie	4,843.20
Arcudi,Mary	11,457.15
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Espanet, Steven	2,839.00

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Romasco, Alexa	29,605.06
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Bourgery,Daniel	43,645.00
Donnelly,Elizabeth	4,583.56
Ciaramicoli, Suzan	4,341.61
Cornell, Mary	22,295.07
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Caulkins, Linda	4,687.77
Dec, Lisa	7,517.59
Macdonald,Cheryl	33,469.65
Betschart,Ann Marie	12,286.31
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Reynolds,James J	33,111.65
Diantonio,Jill	40,670.18
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Brooke,Janice	43,849.56
Barclay,Bruce	63,438.40
Fielder,Janice	60,161.94
Guertin,Patricia	17,095.90
Heron,Lawrence	59,553.68
Kelley Jr.,Henry	59,730.34
Morgan, Lynne	57,716.41
Nicholson,Daniel	58,969.47
Renda, Joseph J	59,930.06
Rich, William	61,096.92
Scano, Alice M	56,258.03
Stock, Adele	59,743.80
Mendala-Thompson, Ruth	54,348.30
Wood, Robert	64,284.54
Fraga,Louis	58,938.30
Howard, Mary E	17,166.93
Collins, Nancy A	48,911.30
Saunders, Christina	4,531.06
Parker,Deborah A	62,924.43
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Johnson, Nancy A	63,285.50
Keough, karen G	65,251.41
Ekwall, Merideth L	42,883.47
Kraus DeVito, Ann	34,844.65
Urmston, Marie	39,287.19
Parise, Janice	4,944.80
Cordani, Anthony	54,509.21
Labrode, Ann	47,341.82
Beaudry, Anthony	43,713.25
Piergustavo, Richard	40,990.55
Guadagnoli, Sherri	33,534.61
Mulroney, Mary M	40,549.50
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Oliveri, Talitha	38,490.12
Fischer, Thomas	42,168.89
Anzalone, Marcia	19,581.81
Harris, Sandra	44,711.01
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Mossman,Cheryl	7,309.10
Moloney,Pamela	50,402.41
Hallion,Andrea M	101,656.19
Shaw,Stephen	76,270.09
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Antolini, Gina	19,874.30
Clason,Tracey Lynch	54,863.50
Jones,Mary Jo	70,679.09
Lane,Amy	34,725.00
Hackett, Amanda	12,062.79
Buckley, Michael	37,500.06
Soto,Ana	33,169.65
Breen, Dennis	39,999.96
Schauben-Fuerst,Daniel	74,599.79
Anderson, Beth	14,120.28
Huff, Christine	26,502.68
Peters, Karen	23,647.09
Martin,Karen	28,149.64
Wegman, Allison	37,334.71
Hopkinson, Allan G	17,476.41
Murphy,Reasha	13,804.05
Spates,Linda M.	15,942.00
Santacroce, Ronald	59,814.47
Woolhiser, James	36,119.26
Espanet,Melissa M	40,594.00
Cornell,Lucille M	26,161.88
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Gilbertson Jr.,Robert E	31,452.69
Carboni,Janet	45,660.56
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Colantoni,Jean	25,590.10
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Mullaney, Michael	5,744.13
Cormier,Joanne	23,156.41
Recchia, Heatha	1,372.00
Kelleher,Cheryl	9,791.32
Betschart,Thomas	446.25
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Bird,Laurie M	16,708.38
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McNamara, Velma	26,277.24
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Collette, Courtney	3,370.00
McPhee,Phyllis	9,587.48
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DiGaetano, Joseph	17,800.86
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Pimental,Laurie A	26,770.38
Sullivan III, Charles	3,861.00
Campbell, Nancy	3,781.14
Dooley, Patricia	148.52
Cummings, Antonia	32,445.63
Killam, Sean	1,384.25
Kling, Stephanie	3,318.50
Caron, Andrea	3,070.19
Carrier, Julie	18,225.66
Slawinski, Elizabeth	3,014.00
Anderson, Natasha	649.00
Garden-Poole, Carol	2,971.85
Kut,Joyce	10,220.14
Capuzziello, Nancy	7,431.27
Lamora, Linda	4,604.21
Gavin, Diane M.	444.00
Kelly, Christine B	3,388.89
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Masnik, Jennifer	60.00
Dowd,Julie	12,820.02
Carbone, Robert A	1,009.62
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Rousseau,Caroln	20,332.00
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Feeley, Lauren	949.70
Debaggis, David	6,850.06
Lachina,Alberta	37,262.13
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Garramone, Susan	330.00
D'Urso,Deirdre	36,771.11
Rapp,Pamela F	66,967.03
Hanam, June E	3,563.79
Palin, Ronda L	518.63
Chapman, Susan I	50,049.20
Wheelock, Jacqueline	36,569.32
Julian,Cathy E	10,819.37
Patton,Lynne A	1,834.85
Caniff, Brian	240.00
Betschart,Douglas	1,740.00
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Leyden, Michele	14,591.17
Goff, Lauren	452.25

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Saras,Mary	6,634.95
Jackson, Laura	66.00
Proctor, Merrissa	57.38
Chiacchia, Michelle	181.50
Monaco, Gianni	2,762.50
Paul, Ray	12,789.91
Bourgery, Patricia	33,916.55
Galante, William	420.00
Graham, William	360.00
Ropar, Donna	13,757.84
Classen, Edward	21,106.86
Hickey, Joseph	60.00
Reissfelder, Rebecca	8,655.70
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Gaffney, Erin	227.63
Gould, Carla	540.00
Maclean, Paula	5,063.68
Beder, Thomas	1,230.00
Barry, Darren	22,953.86
Spevack, Amy	319.00
Daige, Lynne	82.50
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Bavosi, Michelle	37.50
Lowe, Kimberly	1,847.00
Collins, Julie Anne M	60.00
Jewell, Kathy	2,520.00
Smith, Margaret	40,999.92
Rivera, Myriam	7,515.36
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Howard, Stephanie	4,041.15
Latimer, Andrea	20,332.00
Bon Tempo, Noel	5,867.73
Perron, Gale	9,223.65
Hand, Kerry	9,526.18
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